

Village of Bloomingdale Almanac

APRIL 2007

Meet the
Village of
Bloomingdale
Trustee
Candidates

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From the Desk of Mayor Bob Iden

While at the time of this writing it is cold and windy, we have had at least a couple tastes of Spring. So perhaps by April 1, it will be in full swing. And speaking of full swing, the Bloomingdale Golf Club will also be open by this date.

Last year, we debuted the golf club sign along Lake Street. We constructed and landscaped it without much fanfare, but we got rave reviews about it for the rest of the season. It's time to give some overdue credit to those people who helped design, create, construct and landscape the much talked about sign.

I credit our Director of Village Services, Michael Marchi, with the concept, but he is quick to point out, "Much more than me, many talented and creative individuals and Village Services employees assisted with the design and construction."

So "Thank You" to Assistant Village Engineer Bob Prohaska & the engineering staff, Forester Jim Johnson & the forestry crew, Supervisor Vern Fasse and the water distribution crews, Supervisor Ed Lewen and the streets crews, Golf Club Superintendent Bret Collins and the golf club crews, Building Commissioner Michael Gricus, Trustee John Dabrowski, Trustee Bob Czernek and Assistant Village Service Director Jim Monkemeyer, who Michael Marchi notes provides considerable assistance, which enables him to address these Village creative endeavors. (Of course, my sincerest apologies if I inadvertently left someone off that list.)

We've seen more changes in our police department as another longtime member takes on retirement. My congratulations and thanks to Chuck Mader who retired as Deputy Chief after 34 years of service to Bloomingdale. You can read more about Chuck on page 3.

In addition, the Bloomingdale Police Department has marked another milestone. We had our first woman officer attain the rank of sergeant in February. Jackie Slater is a 10-year veteran who has been actively involved in the growth of the organization. Among her many contributions have been involvement in new programs, such as the Child Safety Seat Program, Cultural Diversity Training and Firearms & Defensive Tactics Training. She has earned several professional certifications in the Law Enforcement field, and received her Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice Management in 2005 from Judson College, in Elgin. She is currently our Operations Sergeant. Congratulations Sergeant Slater!

Hope to see you at the Memorial Day observance at 9:30 a.m. in St. Paul's Cemetery on Lake Street. It's always very moving. Have a terrific spring.

Sincerely

Mayor Bob Iden



Jackie Slater being sworn in by Mayor Iden as the first female Bloomingdale Police Sergeant



**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

James M. Gebis

*Planning, Zoning
& Environmental Concerns*

Robert Czernek

Traffic and Street Infrastructure

John Dabrowski

Police and Community Relations

Judi Von Huben

*Intergovernmental Relations and
Emergency Planning*

Bill Bolen

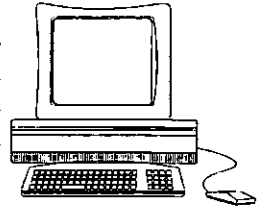
*Finance, Personnel and
Administration*

Jim King

Facilities and Golf Course

**We'd like to hear from you:
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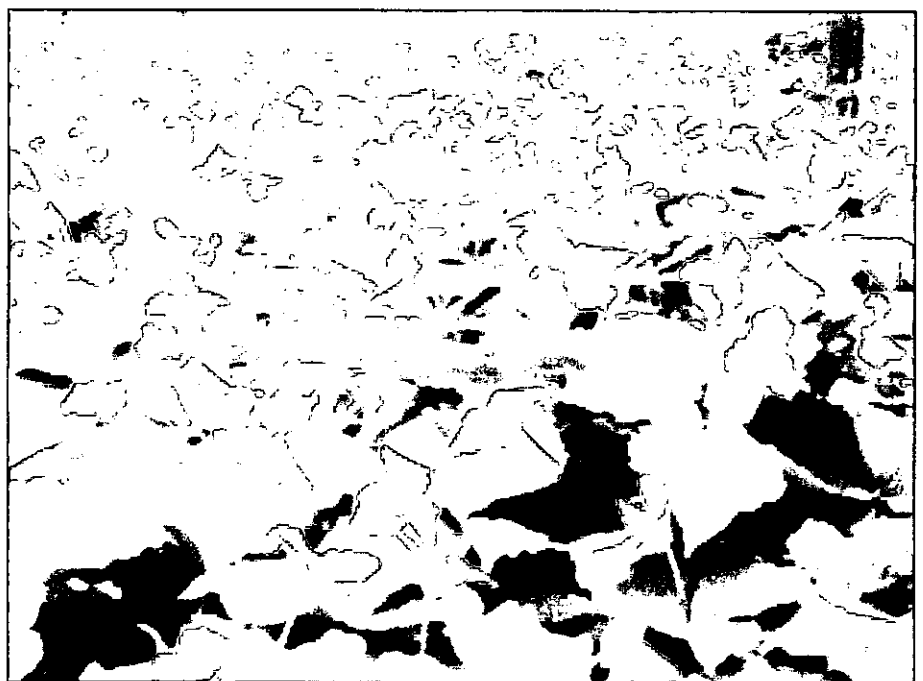
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to bring to our atten-
tion, just E-mail it to us.
If you wish to send us
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Our website address is:
www.vil.bloomington.il.us

**The deadline for
the June issue
of the
Almanac is
MAY 10**



Thrilling Trilliums

Meacham Grove is part of the DuPage County Forest Preserve. Meacham Grove West, (Bloomingdale Road, north of Lake Street) is well known for its outstanding collection of spring wildflowers. From late April to early June the trillium provide a carpet of color in many areas. Park on Rosedale (first stoplight west of Bloomingdale Road) just north of Lake Street and enter the woods through the west entry path).

Construction Now Underway on Army Trail Road

The DuPage County Highway Department is widening Army Trail Road between Regency Drive and Schmale Road. The project consists of: extending the existing six-lane divided highway cross section from Regency Drive to Bloomingdale Road; construction of a center bi-directional turn lane between Bloomingdale Road and Schmale Road; building additional intersection capacity; and installation of a traffic signal at Bloomingdale Road and Greenway Drive.

The project is being constructed by the DuPage County Highway Department. Construction is expected to continue through November 2007.

There are no road closures planned as part of this project. However, there will be traffic delays during the work, and temporary lane closures at various times throughout the project.

As this is a DuPage Country project, all questions, comments and complaints may be directed to Kent Kuper, project engineer, at (630) 407-6900.



Deputy Police Chief Chuck Mader Retires

The Bloomingdale Police Department has seen another retirement from its ranks. Chuck Mader, a 34-year veteran, and the Deputy Chief since 1991, retired January 26, 2007.



He came on board in 1973, when the department consisted of seven fulltime officers and some part-timers, when Schick Road was still a gravel road and nothing existed beyond Indian Lakes. He rose through the department, over the years serving in several leadership roles, as well as continually sharing his expertise in many training areas including use of force, control tactics, physical fitness and others.

Chuck Mader has distinguished himself as a police officer and leader on many occasions, both as an individual and as a member of the team. His impact on and contributions to the Bloomingdale Police Department will long be remembered. Despite his retirement, Chuck will continue to contribute to Bloomingdale as a part-time police officer conducting training and investigations for our police department.

Bloomingdale FOP Tacked the Tower!

Several Bloomingdale Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #175 members recently competed in an event held by the American Lung Association called "Tackle the Tower." "Tackle the Tower" is a vertical climb of stairs consisting of 31 floors (62 flights of stairs/680 steps) in Oakbrook Terrace Tower. They competed against other Police Department teams and came in 2nd place. They also raised a total of \$1,105.00 as a team! Great job!

Pictured below are (l to r): Dawn Odoi, Bruce Mason, Sam Bonilla, Jackie Slater, Dean Slater, Mike Gicla, and Tara Makowskyj.



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Take Note

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION ON JUNE 2

A Household Hazardous Waste Collection will be held on Saturday, June 2, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The location is the DuPage County Administration Building at 421 North County Farm Road in Wheaton.

For a list of acceptable and unacceptable items, contact the HHW Hotline at (630) 510-2810 or visit DuPage County's web site at <http://ec.dupageco.org/solidwaste>.

LETTER CARRIER'S FOOD DRIVE IS MAY 12

The National Association of Letter Carriers 15th annual Food Drive takes place on Saturday, May 12. Please leave non-perishable items by your mailbox that morning. All donations go to the Bloomingdale Township Food Pantry. Over the years, Bloomingdale residents have contributed over 66,000 pounds of food. Let's keep it going.

JOIN US FOR VILLAGE'S 2007 ARBOR DAY OBSERVANCE

The Village of Bloomingdale and School District 13 will celebrate Arbor Day by planting a Tuliptree (*Liriodendron tulipifera*) at Dujardin School, 166 S. Euclid Avenue. The celebration will take place on Friday,

April 27th at 2:00 p.m. All residents are invited to join the Village of Bloomingdale, School District 13, and students and faculty of Dujardin School in the Arbor Day Observance.



BRANCH COLLECTION BEGINS APRIL 16

REMINDER: Kramer Tree Specialists, Inc. will once again perform branch collection under the direction of the Village Forestry Division. Branch collection will begin on Monday, April 16.

Branches must be out by 7 a.m. on Monday, April 16. Woody branches 1/2 inch to 6 inches in diameter are the only items that will be picked up.

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

In the event of severe storms, the Village will provide storm damage collection of woody branches 1/2 inch to 6 inches in diameter. Please contact the Forestry Division at (630) 671-5800 within 72 hours of storm for branch collection.

VILLAGE'S PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT NOW HIRING FOR SEASONAL POSITIONS

The Village of Bloomingdale is seeking individuals to fill seasonal positions in the Public Works Maintenance and Utilities Divisions. These positions work approximately 40 hours per week. Work includes physical labor. Applicants must have a valid Illinois Drivers License. Starting hourly rates are between \$8.00 to \$8.50 per hour.

Applications may be obtained at the Bloomingdale Village Hall, 201 S. Bloomingdale Road from 8:30AM to 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday. The Village of Bloomingdale is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

CURBSIDE YARDWASTE PICKUP BEGINS APRIL 1ST

Yard waste pickups begin April 1st and continue through November 30th. Small twigs, leaves and other yard waste may be placed in bags with stickers (\$2.00 each) for Allied Waste pickup. Questions concerning yard waste pickups should be directed to Allied Waste at 847-429-7370.

2007-2008 General Assembly Scholarship Applications Now Available

State Representative Franco Coladipietro is now accepting applications for students wishing to be considered for a 2007-2008 General Assembly Scholarship.



The scholarship through his office is available to residents of the 45th representative district, which includes parts of Bloomingdale, Carol Stream, Glen Ellyn, Glendale Heights, Itasca, Medinah, Roselle, Wheaton and Winfield. It covers tuition for the fall, spring, and summer terms at any four-year Illinois public university.

Applications can be requested by calling the district office. Applications are also available at the district high schools and the College of DuPage. All applications and supporting materials must reach the district office no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, April 20, 2007.

The recipients will be chosen by Representative Coladipietro's Scholarship Advisory Committee and will be notified by mail during the summer. For more information, please call Joyce at (630) 582-0045.

State Senator Carole Pankau is also offering applications to all college students and high school seniors who reside in the 23rd Senate District for her General Assembly Scholarship. To be eligible, students must reside in her district, be attending an Illinois public university in Fall 2007, and have their application notarized before submitting it.

Applications can be obtained by contacting her office at 630-582-0390, or by e-mailing her at carole@pankau.org. Senator Pankau appoints a screening committee of community leaders to review all applications and make recommendations to her. The eight selected students will receive one year's paid tuition, including summer of 2008. The deadline is April 15 and winners will be announced in July.

General Assembly Scholarships are presented by all Illinois lawmakers to college students across the state. Selection is based upon merit of the applicants.

Requirements for Restraining Children in Vehicles

State law requires all children under the age of 16 be restrained when riding in a vehicle. The law also requires that children four years of age through and including children 15 years of age be secured in the vehicle by either a child restraint or seat belt, no matter where they are sitting. Drivers are still required to transport children under the age of four in a child seat.

The Bloomingdale Police Department has Certified Child Safety Seat Technicians and offers free child seat safety checks at the police station by appointment only for Bloomingdale residents. Please contact Sergeant Jackie Slater at 529-9868 for more information.

In addition, free Child Seat Safety Checkpoint events are displayed at www.seatcheck.net.

In Memorium: Frank Szatkowski, D.D.S., Bloomingdale's First Dentist

Another piece of Bloomingdale history quietly slipped away in early March when Frank Szatkowski D.D.S. succumbed to ALS, commonly known as Lou Gehrig's disease, at the age of 60. Szatkowski was the first dentist to open an office in town, locating on north Bloomingdale Road in what was the first structure to be built as an office building.

He opened his practice in 1972, taking on a partner some months later. As his practice grew and other dentists also located here, Szatkowski and others came together to create a dental/medical center at 183 S. Bloomingdale Road. The concept of having a variety of dental specialties in one Bloomingdale location became a reality.

Resident Diane McLaughlin, who worked with Szatkowski for 27 years, remembers the young man as "...charismatic, generous and very intelligent. He was an excellent dentist and ahead of his time in various procedures."

A Chicago native, Loyola graduate and Vietnam vet,

Szatkowski and his wife Judy, raised three sons in Itasca. All three are in the medical field: Frank is an emergency room physician in Wisconsin, Adam took over his father's dental practice here in Bloomingdale and Dane is an area paramedic.

An avid handball player, he and two friends built Killshot on Edgewater Drive in 1979, a racketball/handball facility, which is now the Bloomingdale Athletic Club. Friends and family remember Szatkowski as a man who had room in his heart for everyone, a man of great spirit and strength who made a difference in the lives of all those he touched.

Our condolences go out to all of his family members and countless friends.



Bloomington Residents to Elect 3 Trustees in April 17 Election

Three trustee positions are open for this April 17 election. The following four candidates are on the ballot. They are listed in alphabetical order.

Bob Czernek

Bob Czernek, his wife Barb, and two daughters have resided in Bloomington since 1986 and are members of St. Isidore Church. Bob has operated a small distribution company for 25 years.

Prior to becoming a trustee in 1997, Bob was a member of the Bloomington Plan Commission & Zoning Board of Appeals for two years. As a trustee, he has worked hard to continue to reduce the property tax levy, supported economic growth and has maintained the highest quality of life by supporting the golf course and other open space initiatives.

He is chairman and Bloomington liaison to Northern DuPage Cable Television Consortium working to provide quality cable programming and reasonable rates. As chairman of traffic and street infrastructure, Bob is working to provide and maintain the streets in Bloomington for our residents' safety. Other activities as trustee include serving on the Old Town Review Committee and the Bloomington Golf Course Advisory Committee.

In the community, Bob is chairman of DuPage Area County Project (DuCAP), which works with underprivileged children in DuPage County. He is also a member of CIACO (Chicagoland Italian American Charitable Organization).

"I am seeking re-election as trustee to continue my work on providing open space, prudent redeployment to protect the sales tax base and to continue to be fiscally responsible. The current board is working well together and is approachable to all Village residents with any of their concerns.

"Collectively as a board, we improved the signalized intersections at Lake and Springfield and Gary and Lawrence, worked with developers to fill vacant retail space and also supported the DuPage County area "Meals on Wheels." I would like to continue to be part of the team."



Bob Czernek

John Dabrowski

A union electrician and manager of D.J. Electric, John has lived and worked in Bloomington for 30 years, serving on the Village Board for the past eight years. He is currently seeking his third term as Village Trustee.

As a long-time resident of the community, John has channeled his pride in Bloomington into a life of public service. He served as a member of the village's Old Town Commission, the Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals prior to election as trustee. He is currently in his 20th year on the Board of Directors for the Fairfield Condo Association and is the vice president of the Roselle Chamber of Commerce. John also presently serves as a liaison to the Bloomington Police Department and to the Family Fest and Septemberfest Commissions.

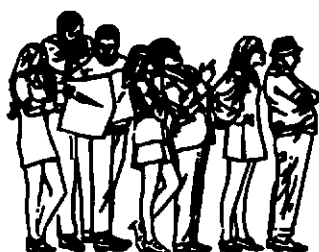
John believes that any service to the community must involve promoting strong values such as education, open space and charitable work. This is why John has served as a member of the Bloomington Parks Foundation and is an active supporter of the Bloomington Public Library and Friends of the Library. He is also Vice-Chairman of DuPage County Area Project (DuCap), an organization that works with underprivileged children in DuPage County, as well as a member of CIACO, Chicago Italian-American Charitable Organizations. He and his family are active members of St. Isidore's.

John is seeking reelection in order to continue serving the people of Bloomington by maintaining one of the lowest village tax rates in the area and preserving open space.

"The current board and I have worked continuously to improve village services, protect our parks and recreational areas and to maintain a strong commercial sales tax base. I wish to continue working hard to give the residents of Bloomington the life they deserve and a community they can continue to take pride in."



John Dabrowski



Bloomington Residents to Elect 3 Trustees in April 17 Election

Jim King

Jim and his wife, Diane moved into Bloomington in 1971. His three children, Darcy, Tracy and Ryan attended Central School, Westfield Junior High and Lake Park High School. While Jim was appointed to the village board in April of 2006, it was not his first experience as a trustee. He served as a trustee from 1973 to 1977. During his tenure the village hired the first village administrator, annexed the Stratford Square property and the current village hall was conceived and built.



Jim King

Jim has been in advertising sales since 1964 and continues to represent an outdoor magazine. He served on the Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals from 1994 to 2006 and was the chairman of these groups from 1996 until 2006 when he was appointed as a trustee to fill a mid-term vacancy. Jim is a lector at St. Isidore and is a member of the Friends of the Library. He joined the Bloomington Lions Club in 1974 and continues to be an active member. Jim has also served as an election judge for the last four years.

Jim sees differences in the way Bloomington government is able to work today, as opposed to back in the 70's. He says, even though three of our main concerns are still planning, zoning and finance, now we have so many more tools to work with. Long-range planning has become more sophisticated; our finances are much better organized. And of course, the village is in a much better financial position now due to our physical and economic growth.

"Maintaining Bloomington's strong emphasis on planning and open space is very important to me. I want to keep a strong and secure financial base with sales tax, while looking to reduce taxes on property owners. I believe continuing to improve village services and the 'quality of life,' issues are key to keeping Bloomington a great place to live."

Lori Noonan

Lori Noonan, and her husband, Bill, have raised their four children in Bloomington since 1987 and have been active in the community almost from the beginning. Lori has been a Bloomington Park District commissioner for the last 14 years, serving 5 years as President of the Board. Her engineering and administrative backgrounds have aided her in her carrying out her board duties.



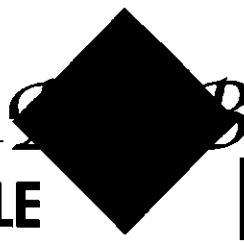
Lori Noonan

Lori has been an active school volunteer for Elementary School District 13 and Lake Park High School, and has served as a Junior Great Book leader, Junior Achievement leader, ACE committee member, and head room parent. Lori has served the scouting community as a consultant, day camp leader, delegate and trainer along with being a Cub Scout leader and a 15-year Girl Scout leader. She is a member of the Bloomington Parks Foundation and is currently President of the Blue Harbor Resort Condominium HOA. Her other activities have included religious education teacher and Confirmation Group leader at St. Isidore, PADS volunteer, and countless activities with her children. Lori has received a number of recognitions for her volunteer activities, but is most proud of receiving the CHARACTER COUNTS! award in 2005.

Lori believes that she would be an approachable, and more importantly, a responsive Trustee. "I believe it is important for the Village of Bloomington Board of Trustees, with the help of citizens, to develop a vision of what it would like to look like in 20 years and chart a course on how to achieve that vision. A number of issues will need to be addressed in order to complete the vision including relieving congestion, defining open space, reducing building vacancies, and developing safe and fun places for our youth to congregate. I'm committed to working tirelessly to achieve this vision."



Elections are also taking place for Bloomington Public Library, Park District, Fire Protection District and our local school districts. Check local papers for information on those candidates.



The Business Beat features news about businesses - newly opened ones, those under construction and those who have something special to tell the residents about - awards won, charitable fundraisers hosted, recent major remodels, etc. Retail businesses provide a significant part of the village's tax base. Supporting them helps keep your Village portion of your property tax bill low.

Remember - BUY IN BLOOMINGDALE.

NEW BUSINESSES

SPECIALIZED ENDODONTIC SOLUTIONS, a dental practice specializing in root canal therapy and endodontic surgery, opened last summer at 1 Tiffany Pointe, Suite 212, at the northwest corner of Bloomingdale and Schick roads.

Endodontics is a specialty of dentistry that deals with diseases of the dental pulp and its supporting structures. Dr. William Nudera, DDS, MS, and Dr. Hong Chon, MS, DDS, are both endodontic specialists, dentists with post-graduate training in this field. Endodontists are also experienced at finding the cause of oral and facial pain that has been difficult to diagnose.

"Patients are usually referred to us from their general dentists," says office manager Kim LaManna. The staff also includes assistants Alinda and Piotr.

The office is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, with evening hours until 8 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and is open Saturdays by appointment. For more information, call 351-1100, or visit www.ses4endo.com.

DNR MUSIC STORE: Former patrons of Mar-Cole Music Store can get the same personalized service from three of the same staff members at DNR Music Store just a short distance east at 227 E. Army Trail Road. Dale, Nancy and Rory Newbrough opened their small, family-owned music store last December after the owner of Mar-Cole retired in September 2006.

"We all have a strong passion for music and wanted to continue to serve the clientele," Dale says of his family.

DNR offers a full line of instruments, accessories, music books, and band instrument rental. "We have items for the earliest beginner up to the studio pro," Dale says. "We try to cater to young guitar player and drummers, to help get them started and keep going. We're looking forward to putting together some events over the summer. Our store motto is "Let the music begin" The store is also a guitar repair center and does band instrument repair.

DNR Music is open Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Friday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and closed Sunday. For more information, call 980-1234 or visit www.dnrmusicstore.com (currently under development).

PHOTOGRAPHY BY JUNE: Two dreams came true for June Cizowski when she opened her own photography studio last December and did so in Old Town Bloomingdale. Photography by June is located at 130 W. Lake Street, Suite 4. "I have always wanted to open my own studio. I've been in the business for seven years, but I've been taking photos since I was a kid," she says. "And I have always loved Old Town Bloomingdale because of the charm and the nice homey feeling."

June's portfolio includes weddings, family portraits, special events, models, babies, and more. "Requests for maternity and pet photography are growing," she says. She also works with clients to design their albums or model's portfolio. "Another new trend is for brides to make a photo book for their husbands." June works in the studio, at events, on location, or at a client's home. "My photographs are not the traditional type, although I do those as well," she says. "My style is more casual, like photojournalism." These candid shots complement traditional portraits in the wedding albums she creates. "A whole wedding is basically your day."

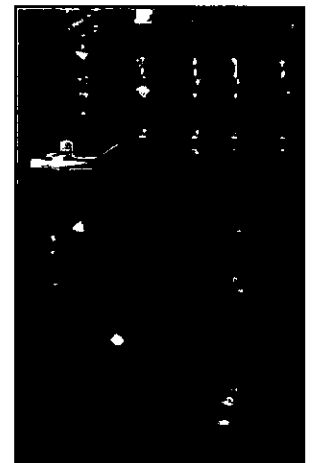
Clients can view their photo sessions, and even order photos, online at www.photographybyjune.com. The studio is open 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday, and Saturday from noon to 5 unless a wedding or other event is scheduled. For additional information, call 307-2997 or visit her web site.

NEWS & EVENTS FROM LOCAL BUSINESS

Resident Branka Poplonski, a real estate consultant with Century 21 Lullo, has received the prestigious 2007 CENTURION Producer Award for the sixth consecutive year. The CENTURION Award is a symbol of excellence earned by only an elite group of Century 21 Producers.

She was honored for these accomplishments at the Century 21 International Convention in Las Vegas.

Branka has recently moved to Century 21 Lullo's new office in Bloomingdale and can be reached at 630-918-3439 or 630-283-9401.



NICHOLAS STRUTZEL ATTAINS EAGLE SCOUT RANK

Nicholas J. Strutzel, member of Boy Scout Troop 20, recently joined the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest award a boy scout can earn. He completed all the required merit badges in various skills and areas of knowledge, and worked on several projects including volunteering his time with the Bloomingdale Food Pantry.

Nick's major Eagle project was coordinated with the Bloomingdale Park District and involved installing and painting new signs throughout the nature trail in Springfield Park, as well as water-sealing the observation deck and wooded walkway / fishing pier at the park. In all, over a dozen volunteers spent a day completing the work and used over 40 gallons of water seal. The project was approved and supervised by Bloomingdale Park District Director of Parks and Planning Ed Reidy in August, 2006.

Nick received his Eagle Scout Award at a special court of honor held March 31, 2007 at the Bloomingdale Public Library. The young man is a senior at Lake Park High School in Roselle, where he is on the highest honor roll and has perfect attendance for all 4 years. He intends to attend either DePaul University or University of Illinois at Chicago in the fall and plans on becoming a history teacher. When not studying, he works for Werner Brothers Gutters and Chipotle Mexican Grill in Bloomingdale.



ELIZABETH NECKA QUALIFIES AS NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLAR FINALIST

Bloomingdale resident Elizabeth Necka is the one Lake Park High School senior to qualify as National Merit Scholarship finalist. She is among 15,000 finalists nationwide who are being considered as one of 8,200 Merit Scholarship award winners. The National Merit Scholarship Competition will begin mailing scholarship offers to winners through the spring. Elizabeth was also the winner of the Bloomingdale VFW Post 7539's Voice of Democracy Audio Essay Contest for 2006.

CHRISTOPHER BAHR NAMED TO DEAN'S LIST AT U.S. MILITARY ACADEMY

Cadet Christopher Bahr has been named to the Dean's List for the fall semester at the U.S. Military Academy. The 2003 graduate of Lake Park High School plans to graduate from West Point in May, 2007 and will be commissioned a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army. He is the son of residents William and Mary Bahr.



VINCENZO PALMIERI NAMED TO LOYOLA DEAN'S LIST

Vincenzo Palmieri was named to the College of Arts and Sciences Dean's List of Loyola University of Chicago. He is the son of residents Anna and Massimo Palmieri. Vincenzo was a 2005 graduate of Lake Park. Vincenzo is currently majoring in biology and plans to move on to pre-med.

Bloomingdale Golf Club Offers Special Brunches On Easter and Mother's Day

Spend that special time with family and friends by making reservations for Easter Sunday, and Mother's Day brunch at Bloomingdale Golf Club, 181 Glen Ellyn Road.

Don't miss out on the opportunity to experience a food selection that would be hard to beat! Made to order omelets, Belgium Waffles, carving meats and hot buffet, seafood, salad bar and that all important chocolate fountain with sweet table are on the menu.

Easter Sunday – April 8th Mother's Day – May 13th

Adults - \$27.95 plus sales tax; Children - \$14.95 plus sales tax; 6 yrs. and under – Free

Serving is from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Reservations are required and can be made by calling (630) 529-3380.





Septemberfest/Joe Draghi Scholarship Application Deadline is May 1, 2007

GET YOUR TEACHER RECOMMENDATIONS NOW!

The Septemberfest/Joe Draghi Memorial Scholarship has awarded hundreds of thousands of dollars to young adults in our community over the last 34 years. Community service has played a large part in the lives of past scholarship winners. COMPLETED APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN MAY 1, 2007.

The applicant must comply with the following criteria:

- Is a resident of incorporated Village of Bloomingdale, Illinois
- Is a U.S. citizen or permanent resident.
- Is between the ages of 16 and 20 years of age.
- Exhibits school and community involvement.
- Plans to attend a college, university, or trade school after graduation from high school or is currently enrolled in a college, university or trade school.
- Complete the following application packet:
 - Application Form (typewritten preferable)
 - a. Two letters of recommendation – one letter must be from a high school teacher, college professor, volunteer coordinator adult source (not a family member or family friend).
 - b. Compose an essay of a minimum of 500 words describing your life, contributions to the community, your activities, career plans, schools applied to, if applicable, and your opinions/ideas about living in the Village of Bloomingdale and attach it to the application form. Essays will be judged on content, grammar, and thoroughness.
- The application packet must be complete (including letters of recommendation) when submitted and all requirements must be met. The application packet should be mailed or delivered to:

The Septemberfest/Joe Draghi Memorial Scholarship
c/o Village of Bloomingdale
201 S. Bloomingdale Road
Bloomingdale, IL 60108
- There will be a mandatory judge's night interview to be held at the Village of Bloomingdale, Council Room, 201 S. Bloomingdale Rd., Bloomingdale, IL 60108. A date will be determined in the future.

**COMPLETED APPLICATIONS MUST BE
POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN MAY 1, 2007.
ANY APPLICATION POSTMARKED AFTER THAT
DATE WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**



The 2006 Joe Draghi Septemberfest scholarship winners – Elizabeth Necka, Colleen Bryers, Mark Poplonski, Katie Johnson

If you are interested in applying for one of these scholarships, pick up an application form at the Village Hall, 201 S. Bloomingdale Road, the Bloomingdale Public Library, 101 Fairfield Way, or at the counselors' offices at the local high schools. This packet is also available on the Village of Bloomingdale's website at: www.vil.bloomingdale.il.us. For more information, call 671-5720.

Winners will be publicly announced at the 35th annual Septemberfest on Saturday, September 8, 2007. Attendance to receive your award, if chosen, is not mandatory. Scholarships are limited to future tuition, books, and any other commensurate educational expenses. Scholarship checks are paid directly to the school. The Septemberfest/Joe Draghi Memorial Scholarship is a one-time grant.

Don't Miss Out!

If you thought you missed The Bloomingdale Historical Society's "Reflections" called **Now, When I Was a Kid**, in March, you are in for a treat. The program by author Dan McGuire about growing up in Chicago in the 40's and 50's was re-scheduled for Sunday, May 6 at 2 p.m. at the Library, 101 Fairfield Way. The program is free, but registration is required. Call 924-2730.



NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH IN ACTION

Planning to Get Out on Your Bike? Great! But Remember To Put on Your Helmet and Follow the Rules of the Road



With warmer temperatures, many will venture outdoors to walk or bicycle around the neighborhoods. Exercise is encouraged for people of all ages, but emphasis should be placed on good safety habits as well. Pedestrians, cyclists, and drivers have a responsibility to one another and need to understand sharing the roadways, pathways, and sidewalks is necessary to ensure the safety of all.

Bicycling has no age limit and is one of the most popular leisure activities, for both youngsters and health conscious adults. The importance of bike safety should be taught at an early age because this is a child's first vehicle. Young children should always ride on the sidewalk and be supervised.

A bicycle helmet should always go on before the wheels go in motion. Begin the helmet habit right away, and insist that your children wear it. Regardless of the rider's age, bicycling without a helmet can lead to severe head injuries, or even death. In order to protect yourself and your family, buy a certified helmet for every rider. Make sure the helmet fits correctly, resting it low on your forehead just above your eyebrows. The chinstrap should be comfortable, yet tight. Be sure that the helmet does not move when pressure is applied to the front, back, or sides of the helmet. Set a good example; wear your helmet every time you ride your bicycle, even on short trips. Remember to replace

your adult helmet every five years, or without delay if it has been involved in an accident. Children's helmets may need to be replaced more frequently due to growth spurts or unusual wear-and-tear to their helmet.

The Rules of the Road apply to bicycles, as well as to vehicles for both safety and orderly movement of traffic flow. For this reason, bicycles are to be on the right side of the road, the same as cars. Motorists expect to see you on the right and can be aware of your actions. Wearing bright, light-colored clothing will help visibility to motorists. If you must bicycle at night, then wear white or reflective clothing. Also, the law states that your bicycle must have a front light visible from at least 500 feet and a rear red reflector that can be seen for up to 600 feet.

While bicycling, be aware of road conditions and hazards. Also, check

all traffic when entering an intersection; don't assume that others will give you the right-of-way. The right-of-way is something that is given, not taken. If others do not follow the rules, let them have the right-of-way, for safety's sake.

Bicycles should be thoroughly inspected at the beginning of the year and periodically throughout the year. When your bicycle is not in use, please store it in the garage or house; do not leave it on the sidewalk or driveway. If you are leaving your bike at any other location, then use a good sturdy lock to help protect your property. Please take the time to record the serial number of the bicycles in your household. If your bicycle is ever stolen, the information will aid the police department in identifying the owner upon recovery.

It is hoped that all bicyclists have fun while observing this information for their safety and the safety of others.

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community



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OUR SUCCESS IS MEASURED BY THE SCOPE OF YOUR INVOLVEMENT

Sincerely,

Tim Goergen,
Chief of Police

Dawn Odoi,
Community Policing Officer

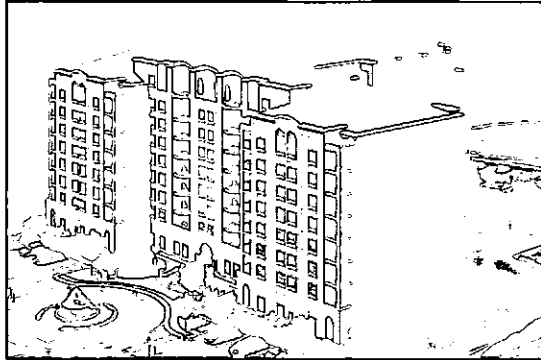
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Valley View Condos Sales Center Now Open

Nitti Development has opened a sales center in Springbrook Shopping Center, 158B E. Lake Street for pre-construction sales of units for its Valley View condominium high-rise scheduled to be built this fall. Valley View Condominiums will be a nine-story, luxury high-rise

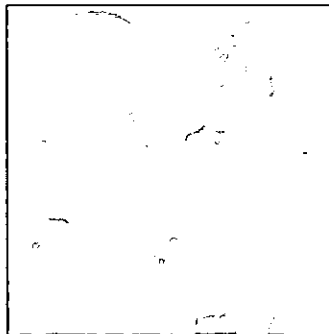


complete with 114 condominium homes surrounded by 150 acres of the DuPage Forest Preserve. This unique type of resort-style condo living will be located one mile west of I-355 on Valley View Road, one block south of Army Trail Road.

"What most builders would consider an upgrade, we consider standard," said Frank Nitti, president of the development company. "Our reputation has been built on the consistent use of high-quality materials." For more information call Nitti Development at 630-980-4525 or visit the website at www.valleyviewbloomingdale.com.

The Dove Girls Are at It Again!

Villagers Club of Bloomingdale presents its members, daughters and granddaughters – all shapes and sizes – modeling fashions from Dress Barn and Jack & Jill Boutique at the Villagers 16th annual Fashion Show. The affair begins at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 5 at the Bloomingdale Public Library, 101 Fairfield Way. Evening includes refreshments, entertainment and raffles items. A \$10 donation is requested, but is not mandatory.



Bloomingdale Church Hosting Open House Depicting Christ's Passion on April 6

On Good Friday, April 6, Bloomingdale Church, 262 Glen Ellyn Road, host an open house to display the creative art of adults, teenagers, and children in the church community that depict Christ's passion. Church members invite your family to experience Good Friday through your five senses. Open House: 6-7 p.m. & 8-9 pm; Good Friday Service (Reflections on the Passion): 7-8 p.m. We invite anyone who would like to create an art expression about Christ's passion and resurrection to participate. If you have any questions, please contact danielr@bloomingdalechurch.org; (630) 894-0090.



Coming Attractions!

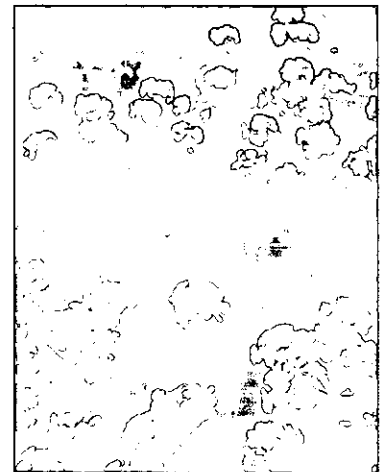
Century Theatres are scheduled to open a 16-screen theater at Stratford Square Mall during Summer 2007.

Bloomingdale Garden Club's April Meeting To Feature Shrubs

Bloomingdale Garden Club meets at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 18 at the Bloomingdale Public Library, 101 Fairfield Way in Room B. The topic will be Flowering Shrubs - Selection and Care.

The May 16th meeting takes place at 6:30 p.m. at the Bloomingdale Park District Museum, 108 S. Bloomingdale Road, and features a program on "Gardening with Children."

Garden Club's Plant Sale Set for May 4 & 5



May 4 and 5 marks the Garden Club's annual plant sale featuring full flats of 48 plants and premium hanging baskets direct from their Michigan grower. Location is 337 Skylark Drive in Bloomingdale.

Sale hours:

Friday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Saturday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Contact Helen Price at 630-980-6585 or Joyce Basel at 630-529-9833 for more information on the meetings or the sale.

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Kindergarten Registration

Children who will be five years old on or before September 1, 2007, are eligible for kindergarten during the 2007-08 school year. Bloomingdale is served by four elementary school districts. Following is information about each district.

Parents wishing to register their child for Kindergarten in District 13 schools should contact the elementary school they plan to attend. DuJardin School, 166 S. Euclid (894-9200) covers the east side of the district; students on the west side of the district attend Erickson School, 277 Springfield Drive (529-2223). If you do not know which school you should attend, please contact the district office at 893-9590. Kindergarten registration packets can be picked up at either school office from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Community Consolidated School District 93 will conduct kindergarten registration for the 2007-2008 school year on Tuesday, April 10, at 7:00 p.m. at the respective schools. Bloomingdale students attend either Cloverdale School, 1182 Merbach Drive (630-784-3600) in Carol Stream or Elsie Johnson School 1380 Nautilus Lane (630-830-8770) in Hanover Park. For more information please contact your neighborhood school or the District Office at 893-9393.

Kindergarten Round-Up for School District 15 Winnebago School will be held on Wednesday, April 11, 2007, from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m., at Winnebago School, 195 Greenway Drive, Bloomingdale. For additional information call 942-7105.

Keeneyville School District 20 Kindergarten Registration will take place on Thursday, April 26, 2007 at Waterbury Elementary School, 345 Rodenburg Road in Roselle from 9am-12 noon and from 4 - 6 pm. For more information, please call Waterbury School at 893-8180.

All in districts, parents will need to bring the child's original birth certificate, as well as proof of residency, a real estate tax bill, mortgage papers, signed lease, or agreement of sale, along with one other form of identification which includes a driver's license, auto registration, voter registration, or a public aid card. If you don't know which school your child will attend, ask a neighbor with youngsters or call one of the district offices.

**Fire Department Team 'Hustles Up the Hancock'!**

For the fourth year, the Bloomingdale Fire Department has sent a team, including family and friends, to "Hustle Up the Hancock" for the American Lung Association. Part of Team Bloomingdale Fire is pictured below before the event: Aaron Causey, Dan Phillips, Bailey Ziegler, Al Emody, Tom Manion, Kevin Bus, John Kowalski, Bill, Wolff, Wes Nebel, Gary Fronberg. Not pictured are Rich and Mitch Kurka, Holly Bentley, Laura Cole, Laura Webb, Donna and Aimee Bourdage.

**Volunteers Needed
For Community
Tree Planting**

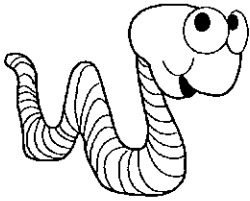
The Village Forestry Division is looking for volunteers to plant 200 seedlings, including Redbud, Sycamore, and English Oak, on Saturday, April 28th, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Public Works Facility, 305 S. Glen Ellyn Road. This is the 13th consecutive year for this popular event.

The Village will supply seedlings, soil and pots for the purpose of growing the seedlings into saplings for transplanting into the local community.

Participants are asked to bring gloves and enthusiasm. After this growing season, the trees will be planted in the Village's nursery for further growth.

For more information or to volunteer, please contact Helen Price at 630-671-5800.





Pest Alert!!!!

From Bagworms to Borers, Here's What You Need to Know



Bagworms

(Source: The Morton Arboretum and Kramer Tree Specialists)

Twenty species of bagworms exist, affecting a wide range of host plants. Bagworms feed on the foliage of many evergreens, deciduous trees and shrubs, including arborvitae, juniper, false cypress, spruce, fir and pine in our area. Bagworms are more easily identified in the winter and spring (from a distance they can be mistaken for cones), and when practical, can be removed and destroyed. Simply pick the bagworms off the plant and squash them. Be sure to cut the attachment silk band so that the branch will not be girdled in the future.

Severe infestations may require treatment. Spray applications of a bacterial insecticide such as Bt (*Bacillus thuringiensis*) are effective in controlling bagworms. Applications need to be administered in June, when the spray-timing indicator plants Northern Catalpa (*Catalpa speciosa*) and Japanese Tree Lilac (*Syringa reticulata*) are in full bloom. Applications are repeated at three to ten day intervals, dependent on weather. At least two applications are recommended.

For more information, contact Jim Johnson, Village Forester, at 630-671-5804. Color photos can be found at

<http://www.forestryimages.org/search/action.cfm?q=bagworms>.



Emerald Ash Borer Update

The Morton Arboretum is urging everyone with firewood remaining from the winter to use all of it up before the warm weather arrives, just in case the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) is lurking inside.



Emerald Ash Borer (continued)

There are two EAB quarantine areas in Illinois, including 64 square miles of northern Cook County, and the entire county of Kane. These quarantines prohibit anyone from moving ash trees, limbs, branches, logs and other ash products out of the



Emerald Ash Borer larvae shown actual size. They can be transported to new locations while hidden under the bark of firewood.

area without a permit. In general, it's best not to move firewood, but instead, buy and use it locally.

Identifying EAB

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 most 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

Woodpecker activity might also indicate the presence of emerald ash borer. Woodpeckers are a red flag for infested ash trees - they pound away at ash trees to get at the larvae of the little beetles.

For more information, contact Jim Johnson, Bloomingdale Village Forester at 671-5804, or visit

<http://www.mortonarb.org/plantinfo/plantclinic/EAB.htm>.



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Opening Day March 31 (weather permitting)

Spring rates offered

Check out our website at www.bloomingdalegc.com
for the latest information on rates, classes, clinics, specials and more!



Hopefully by the time you read this, the snow is gone and the grass is turning green. Golf Season is HERE! With the beginning of another spring that golfing "itch" in each and every one of us comes alive!. What better way than being out on the golf course at Bloomingdale Golf Club, inhaling the warm spring air and eliminating those winter blues! When finished, be certain to stop in the golf shop and see the new apparel and equipment available this golf season.

To make things easy, all golf rates, lesson and junior programs, and various information can be accessed on our website at www.bloomingdalegdc.com You can even book that first tee time of the year (and in the future) on-line!

To give you a heads up on activities being offered this year, the following page shows the scheduled Adult and Junior Clinics, along with the dates the junior course will be available.

If you have not signed up for our Loyalty Program, take a second to look on-line to see what you are missing! The cost to become a participant is ZERO DOLLARS and you have the chance to earn a free round of golf or two!



Finally, we will once again attempt to hold our 2nd Annual Opening Scramble Event on Sunday, April 22nd. Golf will begin at 9 a.m. (shotgun start) and the cost per player will be \$75.00. If possible, we ask that you sign-up as a foursome. More information and a registration form may be obtain in the golf pro shop or on-line.

We look forward to seeing you this season. Please give us a call if you have any further questions at 630-529-6232.

Happy Golfing,
The golf staff at Bloomingdale Golf Club

2007 Junior Golf Program

REGISTRATION TO BEGIN SATURDAY, APRIL 1ST, 2007

Bloomington Golf Club will be offering a summer Junior Golf Program, taught by our PGA golf professional staff, to all interested boys and girls. The program will be structured around basic fundamentals of the golf swing, rules and etiquette of the game, safety, and fun contests. Our objective is to provide juniors a good start to a game that can be played and enjoyed for a lifetime.

Youngsters between the ages of 6 and 16 are eligible to participate. Each class must have a minimum of 4 and will not exceed 12 students. All students must have a set of golf clubs. If there is a need for equipment, please inform the golf shop and we will attempt to provide some clubs. Juniors need to wear proper attire and footwear. Golf shoes or tennis shoes are suggested. Please, no flip-flops or sandals. This is a very good starting point for learning proper golf etiquette.

Registration will begin on April 1st, 2007. You may do so by coming into the golf shop or by filling out the registration form and sending it in.

Registration forms will be made available on-line beginning April 1st, at:

www.bloomingtondalegc.com.

If your junior golfer is in need of golf clubs, we offer Nike and Tour Edge equipment. Our PGA professional will be happy to assist you in finding the correct club(s), set and size. For juniors participating in the program, your purchase will be discounted 20% off the list price!

Four sessions are offered with a choice of 4 groups. When registering, select the session you wish your youngster to participate in and then the age group.

SESSION DATES and GROUP TIMES:

Session 1: Tuesday-Friday, June 12th-15th

Session 2: Tuesday-Friday, June 26th-29th

Session 3: Tuesday-Friday, July 10th-13th

Session 4: Tuesday-Friday, July 24th-27th

<u>Group</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Red1	6-7	9:00 am – 9:50 am	\$45.00
Red2	6-7	10:00 am – 10:50 am	\$45.00
White	8-12	11:00 am – 12:15 pm	\$65.00
Blue	13-16	12:30 pm – 1:45 pm	\$65.00

Note: Fee includes golf handouts and contest awards

Days of inclement weather, please contact the golf shop at 630-529-6232 to find out if program was cancelled. Rain dates have been set aside for cancellations.

ADVANCED JUNIORS

An additional group choice (BLACK) is available for juniors between the ages of 13 and 16 who have participated in a structured junior golf program a minimum of two years, have knowledge of rules and etiquette, demonstrate playing ability and received approval from the PGA professional. This class will focus on accelerated instruction and individual swing improvements. Contact the golf shop and speak to the PGA professional to determine if you are eligible.

Session 5: Tuesday-Friday, July 17th-20th (Advanced)

<u>Group</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Black	13-16	10:30 am -11:45 am	\$65.00

10th Annual Junior Open Golf Tournament

Make a note on your calendar!

Where: Bloomington Golf Club

When: Tuesday, July 24th

Ages: 9-17 years
(Boys and Girls)

Register to play 6, 9 or 18 holes

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



6-Hole Junior Course

Interested in playing a little golf with your child? We have a wonderful option for you!

Incorporated within the practice range is a 6-hole junior course with holes that vary in length from 45 to 90 yards. These holes are ideal for both juniors and beginning golfers wanting to get started in the game, and experienced golfers wanting to fine-tune their short game.

Since the practice range needs to be closed down to set-up the 6-hole course, Monday is the selected day between 10:00 am and 2:30 pm for the Junior Golf Course to be available.

Following are the dates:

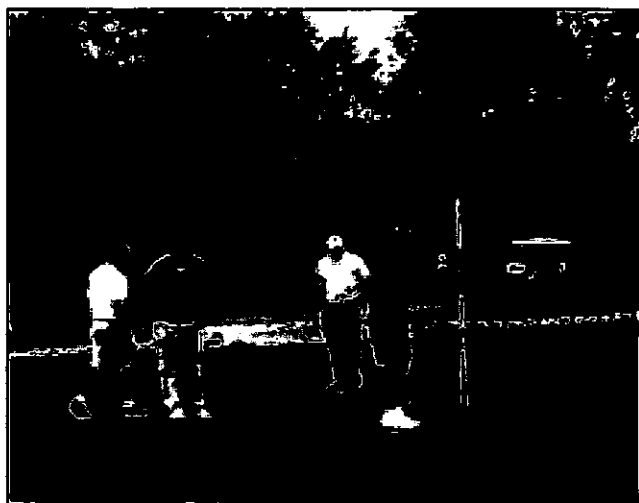
June 18th, July 2nd, July 9th, July 16th, July 30th, and August 6th

The fee for using the short course is \$5.00 per player and tee times may be made one week in advance.

Availability is subject to change, therefore, please call ahead

MIXED ADULT CLINICS

(18 years and older)



Bloomingtondale Golf Club will be offering a variety of adult clinics this season. Classes will meet once a week at Bloomingtondale Golf Club's practice range for one hour and fifteen minutes. There will be two stages offered. Stage 1 will last 7 weeks and Stage 2 will last 6 weeks. We have extended each stage in length and time in order to fully cover more areas of the game and to provide more practice time. We will also designate the 4th week of each session as "Practice with the Pro". During this time, focus will strictly be on working on what has been discussed and learned up to this point!

Classes must have a minimum of 4 and will not exceed 8 students (subject to change). The cost for each clinic will vary depending on which stage you select. Stage 1 will cost \$125.00 and Stage 2 will be \$105.00. A training golf grip and range balls are included in the fee.

Register in person at the golf shop or fill out the registration form and mail it in. Registration will begin on April 1st, 2007 with forms being available on-line at <http://www.bloomingtondalegc.com>. You will need to bring a set of clubs each week. If you do not have clubs, please notify us and we will provide them.

STAGE 1

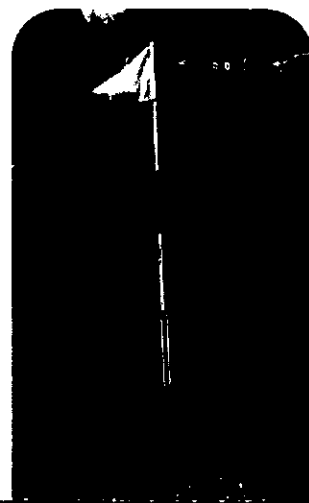
This class offers novice and beginners an introduction to the fundamentals of golf. Learn about the make-up of a golf course, equipment, basic rules and golf course etiquette. Each session will begin with proper warm-up and stretching. Areas to be covered are; how to grip a club correctly, aim your body and golf club, and swing both woods and irons. Additionally, instruction will cover putting, pitching and chipping, sand play and improvement drills. There may even be a contest or two thrown into the mix. Questions are encouraged.

STAGE 2

This class is for students who have completed stage 1 or have a basic understanding of the topics mentioned in stage 1, and feel comfortable with moving forward. This stage will be a continuation of stage 1, but with more of an emphasis on discussing and correcting individual swing flaws. Improvement drills will be utilized to help students relate to necessary changes. Practice methods and simple golf course management approaches will be introduced. Each session will begin with proper warm-up and stretching. Individual progress will depend on how well you received information and performed from stage 1. Questions are encouraged.

Session	Day	Dates	Time	Stage
A1	Tuesday	April 24, May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, June 5	11:00 am – 12:15 am	1
B1	Thursday	May 10, 17, 24, 31, June 7, 14, 21	6:00 pm – 7:15 pm	1
C1	Saturday	May 19, 26, June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30	10:00 am – 11:15 am	1
D1	Wednesday	May 23, 30, June 6, 13, 20, 27, July 11	6:00 pm – 7:15 pm	1
E2	Tuesday	May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, June 5	6:00 pm – 7:15 pm	2
F2	Tuesday	June 19, 26, July 10, 17, 24, 31	6:00 pm – 7:15 pm	2
G2	Thursday	July 12, 19, 26, Aug. 2, 9, 16	6:00 pm – 7:15 pm	2
H2	Saturday	July 14, 21, 28, Aug. 4, 11, 18	10:00 am – 11:15 am	2
I2	Wednesday	July 25, Aug. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29	6:00 pm – 7:15 pm	2

(Times and availability subject to change)



Pest Alert!!!!!! (continued)

Periodical Cicadas in 2007

(thanks to Ron Wolford, University of Illinois Extension office, for this information)

Something not seen since 1990 is expected to reappear this year, the Northern Illinois Brood XIII of the 17-year periodical cicadas will make another appearance in northern Illinois, which includes the Chicago area."

"The timing of emergence is determined by soil temperature," says Ron Wolford "Abnormal springtime weather can delay or accelerate the timing of emergence. What causes them to emerge in a specific year is not well understood."

Full-grown brown, 3/4 inch-long periodical cicada nymphs will emerge this spring in late May. An indication of emergence is a series of soil chimneys that can be three inches high and 1/2 inch in diameter. They will also emerge through 1/2-inch diameter exit holes. "The nymphs will burst out of the chimneys and holes around sunset and crawl up trees and shrubs," he said. "Their skins will split down their backs, and the adults will emerge."

"The adults are short-lived. Their main purpose is reproduction. Adult periodical cicadas are 1-1/2 inch long, black insects with protruding red eyes. Their clear wings have bright orange



veins." About a week after emergence, the males will congregate and start singing loudly during the sunny part of the day to attract females.. The mating period lasts for two weeks, the males die, and the singing ends. The females will lay eggs for three to four weeks.

"The eggs will usually hatch in mid-summer about six to 10 weeks after egg laying," said Wolford. "After hatch, the new nymphs will drop from trees and shrubs and dig underground to find roots for feeding for another 17 years."

Even though periodical cicadas look a little scary, Wolford said they are not dangerous to humans or pets. Heavy egg laying in newly planted trees can cause twigs to break with leaves dying. Mature trees, even when covered with cicadas, will show little damage. Wolford recommends sitting back and enjoying this wonder of nature. "It won't occur again until 2024," he said. For more information on periodical cicadas, he recommends U of I Extension's website "Cicadas in Illinois."



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Beware of Clothes Dryer Fires

The Bloomington Fire Protection District would like to pass along the following information about safety in your home.

For many households, the clothes dryer is an indispensable convenience. However, if clothes dryers are not properly installed or maintained, critical fires can occur. Each year, there are an estimated 15,600 fires that require a fire department response. These clothes dryer fires cause an annual average of approximately 400 injuries and 15 fatalities. Failure to clean is the leading factor contributing to clothes dryer fires in residential buildings.

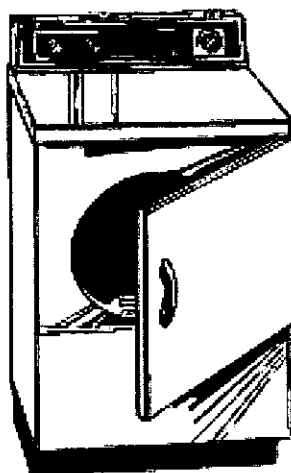
It should be noted that new home construction trends place clothes dryers and washing machines in more hazardous locations, such as bedrooms, second floor hallways, bathrooms and kitchens, away from outside walls.

A clothes dryer works by forcing hot air through a turning drum. Wet clothes placed in the drum are then dried by the moving hot air. Lint is created from the clothes as the water is removed and the clothes dry. While much of the lint is trapped by the dryer's filter, lint also is carried through the venting system, together with moist air. The accumulation of lint, both in the dryer and in the dryer vent, reduces the air-flow and creates a highly flammable fuel source.

In addition to the accumulation of lint, blockage in dryer exhaust vents also can occur from the nests of small birds and animals or from bends in the venting system itself. A compromised vent will not exhaust properly to the outside vent. Overheating may result. If enough heat is produced to ignite the lint itself or nearby combustible items, including the clothes in the dryer, a fire ensues.

Proper maintenance for clothes dryers involves removing the lint from the traps, vents, and surrounding areas of the dryer. Again, "failure to clean" accounts for 70% of dryer fire operational deficiencies.

A clothes dryer that has to work harder to evacuate lint and moisture can trigger enough heat to cause some dryer components to malfunction and can sometimes produce sparks or



even flames. The overheating can sometimes produce enough heat to ignite lint or other nearby combustibles.

As a good fire safety practice, combustibles such as clothing, boxes, and other items should not be placed near or around the clothes dryer.

If you notice heavy clothes, such as blue jeans or towels taking a long time to dry, or clothes feel hotter than usual at the end of the cycle, then a clogged dryer vent exhaust is likely the problem. Disconnect, clean and inspect the dryer duct and venting every couple of years. Some may need more frequent inspection, such as in homes with complex construction where the dryer vents exceed 6 feet from the outside.

If you do not feel comfortable cleaning or inspecting the dryer vent yourself, you can call a duct cleaning service. The Chimney Safety Institute of America (CSIA), a non-profit educational organization, also provides information on clothes dryer fires and can provide a list of CSIA-certified dryer exhaust duct technicians.

Tips to Avoid Dryer Fires:

- Never let your clothes dryer run while you are out of the house or asleep.
- Disconnect, clean and inspect the dryer duct and venting every couple of years.
- Have gas-powered dryers inspected by a professional annually to ensure that the gas line and connection are intact.

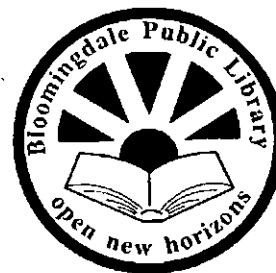
More information about how to prevent dryer fires can be obtained from the Bloomington Fire Protection District or go to www.usfa.dhs.gov/applications

Off the Shelf

BLOOMINGDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

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Did you Know?

25 THINGS YOU CAN DO FOR FREE AT BLOOMINGTON PUBLIC LIBRARY:

- 1) Browse our collection of over 128,000 items.
- 2) Find out about your ancestors by using the Ancestry.com database and attending a Genealogy Club meeting.
- 3) Join a book group.
- 4) Find a new job using our Computer Lab and business databases.
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- 8) Bring in your laptop and surf the web using our wireless web connection.
- 9) Stop at the Reference Desk and get an answer to the question you've been wondering about.
- 10) Start a new business or research a new product.
- 11) Learn how to cook a new dish using our cookbook and magazine collections.
- 12) Attend programs on cooking, travel, health and other topics.
- 13) Sign up for our NextReads email newsletter, and get booklists on selected topics delivered to your email on a monthly basis.
- 14) Read a magazine online through the databases on our website.
- 15) Sign up for the summer or winter reading program and win a fun prize.
- 16) Register to vote.
- 17) Request a personalized reading list.
- 18) Make an appointment with a Reference Librarian to learn about the Internet, our research databases or our computer catalog.
- 19) Sign your child up for a story time.
- 20) Chat with a librarian live any time of the day or night using our AskAway reference service.
- 21) Download a book or movie from our website to your computer or personal device using **MyMediaMall**.
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- 24) Get rich by choosing a mutual fund through our Morningstar database.
- 25) Learn how to do just about anything by checking out a book/CD-ROM/DVD at the Library!



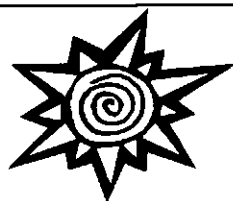
FEDERAL AND STATE TAX FORMS ARE STILL AVAILABLE

The library still has federal and Illinois income tax forms available to the public. The most common forms are free. The less popular forms may be photocopied from a master for 10 cents per copy, or downloaded from the IRS website at the Reference Desk. If you would like to download forms from your home computer, the websites are as follows:

Federal - www.irs.gov

State - www.revenue.state.il.us

Look for the "forms" link to find the one that you need.



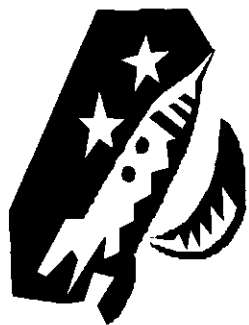
SUMMER HOURS

Beginning May 27 the library will be closed on Sundays for the summer. Regular Sunday hours will resume on September 9.

The Summer Hours Are:

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

Youth Services Department
YOUTH SPRING PROGRAMS



MISSION READ: TO THE LIBRARY AND BEYOND

June 2- August 4

The Youth Services Department is busy planning this year's Summer Reading Program, **Mission Read: to the Library and Beyond**. Special Features will include storytime programs for babies, preschoolers, and families. Families and school age children will also be invited to join us in our action-packed adventures of special programs and activities. Watch for Youth Services Librarians who will be visiting Bloomingdale schools in May! A brochure with detailed program and registration information will be mailed to Bloomingdale residents in late May.

COME TOGETHER @ THE LIBRARY!

Age 3 - grade 6

Sunday, April 15 through Saturday April 21

No registration is required.

Feeling lucky? Enter one or all of our National Library Week Contests April 15 - 21. The dolls have escaped from their storybooks again. Maybe you can help them find their true homes. Are mysteries more your style? Then enter our 3rd Annual Shredded Book contest and detect the title. Perhaps you have a sweet tooth? Look at our candy jar and estimate the number of pieces. The person with the best estimate will get to take the jar home. You may enter all three contests or pick the one where you feel most confident.

POETRY MENAGERIE

Tuesday, April 24

Grades 4 - 6

7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Join the Bloomingdale Public Library in celebrating National Poetry Month by writing a poetic masterpiece. In this poetry workshop, beginners and veterans alike will learn new tips and tricks on coming up with ideas, finding rhymes, and merging poetry and art. We'll discuss several examples of poems ranging from the hilarious to the morose as we create and illustrate our own poetry. Refreshments will be served.

OLIVIA FORMS A BAND

Ages 4 - 5

Tuesday, May 1st

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.



Registration is required.

Calling all Olivia fans! Head on over to the Library for an action-packed musical extravaganza! This program is for 4 and 5 year olds. Please sign up at the Youth Services Desk or by calling 630-924-2740.



KITES FOR KIDS

Grades 3 - 5

Thursday, April 26th, 2006

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

Registration is required.

Celebrate National Kite Month and TV Turnoff Week by getting up off the couch and heading to the library for some kite-making fun! By the end of the night, each participant will have their own kite that they can take to the skies.

TUESDAYS WITH TOYS

Ages birth - 5

Tuesdays

May 15th

May 29th

June 12th

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

No registration is required.



Storytimes are taking a break, but the fun never stops at BPL! Tuesdays with Toys is an informal program giving parents with small children the opportunity to meet and talk with other parents, while children play with toys and games. Toys and games are most appropriate for children ages 3 months to 5 years. Drop in for one session or all three.



YOUTH AND ADULT SPRING PROGRAMS



VolunTEENs

Grades 7-12

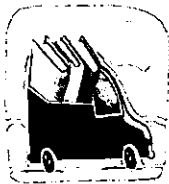
Tuesday, May 22nd
7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

AND

Saturday, June 9th
1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Registration is required; limit 20 participants.

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! During your summer vacation, we'll develop a schedule to fit your availability and our programming needs. You'll prepare crafts, help keep the library tidy, and help out with special events. The Orientation Meeting familiarizes teen volunteers with department and library procedure, and is **mandatory** for all VolunTEENs who were not active during the winter session. Additionally, new and old VolunTEENs will meet on Saturday June 9th at 1 p.m. to develop a work schedule for the summer session. Attendance at this scheduling meeting is mandatory for all summer VolunTEENs. For more information about this program please contact Sarah Joynt, VolunTEEN Coordinator, at 630-924-2745.



HOMEBOUND SERVICES

Do you, or someone you know, qualify for our Homebound Services? You are entitled to receive free delivery of library materials to your home if you are a Bloomingdale resident with a valid library card AND at least one of the following applies.

- If you are a senior without a car
- If you are physically handicapped
- If you are recovering from surgery
- If you are limited by illness

Please contact Merril Tlusty or Gloria Elder at 630.924.2730 for further details.

BLOOMINGDALE HISTORICAL SOCIETY PROGRAM

The Bloomingdale Historical Society would like to announce that the program that had been scheduled for March 4th has been rescheduled. On Sunday, May 6th at 2:00 p.m., the Bloomingdale Historical Society will host Mr. Dan McGuire, author of "Now, When I Was a Kid...." at the library.

Remember the good old days? Mr. McGuire will reminisce his 1940's boyhood in a semi-rural town near Chicago, and share the adventures he and his friends experienced while exploring Chicago. For more information and registration, please call the Adult Services desk at 630-924-2730.



PEP NEWS

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

The next training series for ESL, reading and math volunteer classroom tutors will be offered on consecutive Saturdays, July 21 and 28, 2007, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Glen Ellyn campus.

The deadline to register is July 6. Space is limited so call early. Fall assignments begin August 22, 2007.

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

MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBRANCE



The Bloomingdale Historical Society, the Bloomingdale Public Library, and the Village of Bloomingdale will again cosponsor the annual Memorial Day Remembrance program on Monday, May 28, 2007. The observance will be held at the St. Paul Cemetery on Lake Street in Bloomingdale at 9:30 am. This gathering is to honor men and women who have served our country, and a special invitation is made to all veterans in our community. The placing of flags, taps, and a gun salute by VFW Post 7539 will be part of the program, as well as special patriotic music performed by the a cappella Ensemble of the Spirit of Life Chorus. Limited seating is available, so please bring lawn chairs, and remember your umbrellas if the weather appears unpleasant.

If you have questions, please call (630)529-3120 ext. 2801.

ADULT SPRING PROGRAMS

ADULT BOOK GROUP

All of the book discussion groups always welcome new members. Copies of our current book selections are available at the Circulation Desk.

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

April 18 and 19
Death of a Salesman
by Arthur Miller

and

Glengarry Glen Ross
by David Mamet

May 17 and 18
Persepolis
by Marjane Satrapi

The morning historical book group meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m. Book selections for May and June are as follows:

May 1
Among Friends
by M.F.K. Fisher

June 5
Bobbed Hair and Bathtub Gin:
Writers Running Wild in the Twenties
by Marion Meade



ADULT/TEEN **WINTER READING** **PROGRAM**

We had a very successful Winter Reading Program this year with over twice as many participants as last year! Thanks to all that participated and especially to the Loose Threads Quilt Group for donating the grand prize, a lap quilt.

Spring

YA PROGRAMS



DANCE DANCE REVOLUTION

(Teens 7th - 12th grades)

Thursday, April 12

&

Thursday, May 10

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

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

ANIME CLUB

(Teens 7th - 12th grades)

Wednesday, April 25

&

Wednesday, May 23

7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Can't get enough anime? Lovin' the manga? The all new Anime Club is the place to be! Please register at the Adult Reference Desk or call 630-924-2730. Join us!!



KITSCHY CRAFTS

(Teens 7th - 12th grades)

Thursday, May 3

7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Come and make a fabulous decoupage keepsake box. A perfect Mother's Day gift, or just keep it for yourself! Please register at the Adult Reference Desk or call 630-924-2730.



ADULT/TEEN SUMMER **READING PROGRAM**

June 2 - August 4

Adults and high school age teens are invited to participate in this year's summer reading program, **Mission Read: To the Library and Beyond**. Each time you read or listen to a book between June 2 and August 4, stop at the Reference Desk and we will record your title. All adults and teens who read at least one book will be eligible for the weekly prize drawings. Participants may not win more than one weekly prize drawing during the program. The more books you read the better chance you have to win the grand prizes at the end of the program!

Adult Services Department ADULT SPRING PROGRAMS

ADULT PROGRAMS

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



ARTHRITIS SCREENING

Wednesday, April 11

4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Dr. Martin Saltzman, a Board Certified Orthopedic surgeon, will be available for arthritis or joint pain screening. He will focus on hip, knee and shoulder pain. Please wear shorts or T-shirt depending on problem area. Registration required. Call AlexianConnects at 1-866-ALEXIAN (253-9426). Program at library.

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

COME TOGETHER @ YOUR LIBRARY

April 15-21, 2007



JIGSAW PUZZLE CONTEST

Sunday, April 15

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

Get together a team of family and friends and test your puzzle skills! The team that assembles their puzzle the fastest or is farthest along by the end of the session will win a prize! Limit of 10 teams. Minimum of two persons per team. This program is open to ages 6th grade through adult.



UNDERSTANDING RAMADAN

Tuesday, April 17

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

Ramadan is the ninth month of the Islamic calendar. During this month, Muslims throughout the world fulfill one of the fundamental practices of Islam: fasting. Asra Yousufuddin will discuss the basics of fasting during this month. Before the night's end, participants will have the opportunity to experience how she breaks her fast by trying some traditional Pakistani foods.



FOODTALK: FRENCH

Thursday, April 19

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

Want to learn a little bit of French in a relaxing and social environment? Then join us for this interactive, hands-on language lesson and enjoy a sample of a Moroccan dish. Attendees will learn words and phrases revolving around the ingredients, utensils, and actions required to prepare the dish.



THE HAJJ: A PILGRIMAGE TO MECCA

Wednesday, May 9

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

The Arabic word for pilgrimage is "hajj." The hajj takes place in Mecca, Saudi Arabia where millions of Muslims gather annually to follow in the footsteps of religious ancestors such as Abraham, Ishmael, and Hagar. Asra Yousufuddin will say a few words about the hajj and then present a showing of the National Geographic film "Inside Mecca." The film offers an intimate view of the struggles and successes of three pilgrims - a South African, a Malaysian, and an American - as they journey to Mecca to perform their religious rites. An opportunity for questions & answers will be provided by Sumaira Akhtar, who has performed the pilgrimage.



WRITE YOUR NOVEL IN YOUR SPARE TIME

Tuesday, May 15

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

Quit putting it off. You know you've got a novel you want to start (or maybe finish), but you need a little encouragement? Published novelist, speaker, and freelance journalist Kelly James-Enger will give tips to frustrated writers on finding time to write, finishing what you start, staying motivated, and finding an agent or editor for your version of the great American novel.



A NIGHT OF JAZZ

Monday, May 21

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

Area jazz pianist, Dave Hepler, will dazzle you with an evening of jazz standards including tunes by Hoagy Carmichael and other famous songs like Round Midnight, One Note Samba and Someone to Watch Over Me.



THE ART OF VACATIONING IN STYLE

Wednesday, May 23

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

Representatives of Cruise Club Internationale of Bloomingdale and Insight Vacations will present destination highlights along with options for vacationing your way. Destinations covered will include: Europe, Morocco, Greece, Canada, Alaska and much more. Learn options for escorted or unescorted tours, cruising, as well as motor coach and train travel. Refreshments will be served.



SPACE: GETTING THERE, LIVING THERE AND COMING HOME

Thursday, June 7

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

Kick off our summer reading program, **Mission READ: to the Library and Beyond**, with an out of this world program! The presentation will include short films, an indoor rocket launch, demonstration of the World's Cheapest Space Suit, a discussion of what it's like to live aboard the International Space Station, and a demonstration of the Space Shuttle's Thermal protection tile system. Kevin Caruso, a NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory's Solar System Ambassador, will host this exciting program for all age groups.



HEARING SCREENING

Thursday, June 14

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

- AND -

Wednesday, June 27

4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Representatives from the Family Hearcare Center of Bloomingdale will be on hand to perform hearing screenings and clean hearing aids. This is a walk-in program.

Computer Lab **SPRING PROGRAMS**

*Computer classes are recommended for ages 13 and older. There is a \$10.00 refundable deposit for each class, due at the time of registration. Classes are limited to twelve participants. Please register in the Business Office of the Library, beginning **Monday, April 2**. Deposits will not be refunded unless cancellations are made at least 24 hours in advance of the class start time.*

BEGINNER COMPUTER COURSE

Monday	May 7	2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Tuesday	May 8	2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Monday	May 14	2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Tuesday	May 15	2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Monday	May 21	2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Tuesday	May 22	2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Instructor: Sean



This new six session course will provide the basic tools needed for the areas 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. (No previous experience necessary.)

USING THE INTERNET

Tuesday April 10, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

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

USING EMAIL

Thursday April 12, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

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

USING THE INTERNET 2

Tuesday April 17, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

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

INTRODUCTION TO BLOGS

Wednesday April 18, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

This class will teach students how to create their own online discussion site, how to post comments and questions on other people's blogs, how to register an account, moderate comments, and all the other ins and outs of interacting with many modern websites - including the Bloomingdale Public Library's!

USING EMAIL 2

Thursday April 19, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

Using Email 2 takes users beyond the basics of sending and receiving email and teaches them to take advantage of the many features their email services provide. Topics such as attachments, folders, address books, mail options, spam protection, and more will be covered. (Having taken Using Email or similar experience is recommended.)

CUSTOMIZING YOUR COMPUTER

Wednesday May 16, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

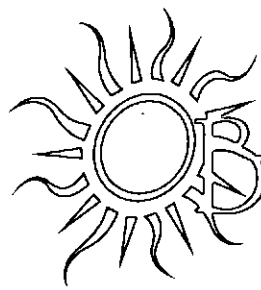
Instructor: Sean

Learn to adjust the settings on your monitor, mouse, and sound; while changing preferences for internet and Windows use to make your personal computer as comfortable and pleasant to use as possible.



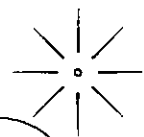
**THE LIBRARY WILL BE
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IN OBSERVANCE OF
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Back by popular demand... Sunshine Serenades!

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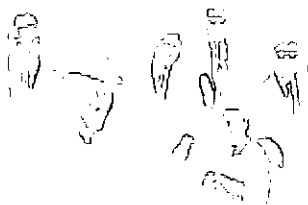
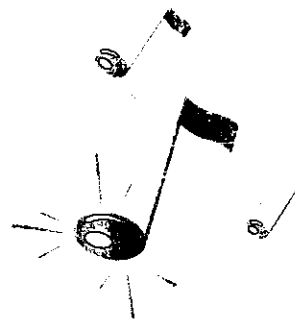


3rd Friday of
June, July and August
from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.



Friday, June 15 from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.
featuring: CD TAPD (MI)

Please join us for the kick off of our summer gazebos concert series with CD TAPD (MI), a dynamic group of performers who have opened for Jimmy Buffett and even had their original music on MTV, VH1, Travel Channel, Discovery Channel, and HGTV! Wear your favorite Hawaiian shirt and enjoy the summer musical concert to be at the Bloomingdale Public Library. Check for the library's location.



Friday, July 20 from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.
featuring: Renegade

Join us for a musical concert featuring Renegade, a group of performers who have opened for Jimmy Buffett and even had their original music on MTV, VH1, Travel Channel, Discovery Channel, and HGTV! Wear your favorite Hawaiian shirt and enjoy the summer musical concert to be at the Bloomingdale Public Library. Check for the library's location.



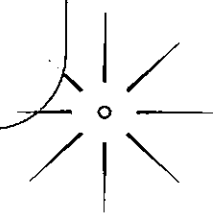
Friday, August 17 from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

featuring: Dave Rudoff (his out of his mind and out of this world)

Dave has been nominated 15 times for a NIA (National Independent Artists) award. He is a Gold Record holder and has been nominated for a Grammy. He is a fun and interactive show for kids and adults alike. He is a "must see" act. Don't forget your cash! Wear your favorite Hawaiian shirt and enjoy the summer musical concert to be at the Bloomingdale Public Library. Check for the library's location.

Concerts will be held at Founders Park Gazebo (located in front of the library) on the above dates from 12:00 p.m. Refreshments will be available for purchase at each concert. For more information, please call the Business Office of the library at (630) 924-2720. Please note: concerts will be held rain or shine.

Attend all three concerts and be eligible to enter into a prize drawing for a
\$100 cash prize.



Bloomingtondale Park District

We're right around the corner!

172 S. Circle Avenue

Ph.630.529.3650

Office Hours:

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

F: 8:30am-4:30pm

SA: 9:00am-1:00pm

The Park Advisory Committee Invites You to Unveil Bloomingtondale! How to Enter our Second Annual Photography Contest

What: We are looking for striking images illustrating how Bloomingtondale Park District parks and open spaces benefit your lives. These images may commemorate a beautiful sunset, capture a peaceful moment with loved ones or celebrate fun and happiness. Images may also show animal behavior, portraits of plant life, natural landscapes, weather or people interacting with nature. Your photographs will help us to capture and catalogue the Park District's beautiful assets for both current and future generations to enjoy and appreciate.

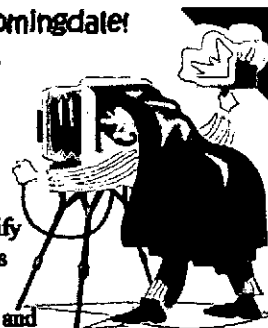
Winning entries will be displayed at the Park District Museum's booth at Septemberfest. As many entries as possible will be displayed due to space limitations. The winning photographs will be displayed and recognized as such.

Who: The Parks Advisory Committee photography competitions are open to amateur photographers only. There will be two age categories: two to 13 years of age and 14+ for Adult category. Employees of the Bloomingtondale Park District and their immediate families are ineligible to participate.

How: Photographers must identify what type of photo it is - if it was taken with a digital or 35mm camera, if it has been enhanced, and the location the photo was taken. All forms of photographs are accepted including (black & white, color, digitally enhanced, etc.) All photos need to be submitted as a matted 8" x 10". Entry forms and a participation waiver can be picked up at the Johnston Recreation Center at 172 S. Circle.

When: Deadline for submitting entries is September 1, 2007

Judges: One adult and one youth will be selected as winners by the Park Advisory Committee. Let's go you shutterbugs!



Anyone for Tee?

The Bloomingtondale Parks Foundation will be hosting its annual Golf Outing on May 14th at the Bloomingtondale Golf Club. All proceeds benefit the Foundation's general operating fund used to support the Park District in its ability to continue to offer a variety of recreation programs and services to its residents. From raising awareness to raising funds for capital improvements, environmental enhancements and program development, the Bloomingtondale Parks Foundation has been an instrumental partner in our efforts to continue to bring you the kinds of programs that you've become accustomed to and that you deserve. All are invited to spend a sunny afternoon with friends all for a good cause.

When: May 14, 2007

Cost: \$125 per person or \$500/foursome. Includes greens fees for 18-holes, golf cart, lunch, dinner, and one sleeve of golf balls.

How: Call the Park District at 529-3650x38 to sign up today!

Park District Looking Towards the Future



**Bloomingtondale
Park District**

The Bloomingtondale Park District formally unveiled a new logo on Sunday, January 28th, 2007. The revitalized logo symbolizes four key attributes - innovation, quality, reliability and customer care. The new logo was designed to capture and communicate the Park District's renewed enthusiasm for and dedication to its residents and customers - today and into the future. Our goal is to re-launch the Park District to new heights all while keeping its customers at the center of everything we do, similar to when the Park District launched its Kindergarten Kids' Place before and after-school care program in 2000 and when it renovated its old community pool into the state-of-the-art Oasis Water Park in 2005.

The new logo blends elements of the Park District's existing 'red circle' - representing community and a passion for parks and recreation - with the colors green and gold - representing conservation, the environment and the gold medal award. The logo is a powerful symbol representing the Park District's commitment to its residents and also features stylized blades of grass whose visual treatment can also represent people. The new brand identity also includes the language "Where Recreation Revolves Around You" to further convey the sentiment that we hope to evoke in the minds of our customers and to provide a great foundation for our future.

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the Oasis

FEATURING

'Cuda Cove:

8-lane Competitive Pool with:

Pineapple Plunge

Drop slide

1-meter, & 3-meter diving boards

Mango Bay:

Zero-depth Entry Leisure Pool with:

Palm tree pass- water walk

Typhoon Tunnel- thrill slide

Tropical Twister- thrill slide

Play features- geysers, sprayers, & spilling buckets!

Otter Island:

Explore interactive water playground

Coconut Cafe:

Featuring pizza, nachos, hot dogs, Slush Puppies, ice cream, candy, and more!

Bathhouse with men's, women's, and family locker rooms.

SEASON PASS RATES

- Renew your 2006 pass online, or purchase a 2007 pass online.
- 2006 pass pictures do not need to be re-taken for 2007.
- New 2007 passes will require a pass picture to be taken at the JRC prior to entering The Oasis.

Early Bird Rate

March 1-April 30

Regular Rate

May 1-Summer

	R/NR		R/NR
Individual	\$67/117	Individual	\$92/142
Family 2 or 3	\$105/155	Family 2 or 3	\$130/180
Family of 4	\$110/160	Family of 4	\$135/185
Family of 5	\$115/165	Family of 5	\$140/190
Family of 6	\$120/170	Family of 6	\$145/195
Family of 7 or more	\$125/175	Family of 7 or more	\$150/200

DAILY ADMISSION RATES

	R/NR
Afternoon Child less than 17	\$5/7
Afternoon Adult 17+	\$7/9
Afternoon Senior 62+	\$5/7
Evening (after 6PM)	\$4/6



THE OASIS HOURS

The Oasis will be open for regular hours through Tuesday, August 14th. Post season hours begin Wednesday, August 15th and go through Monday, September 4th.

All hours subject to change due to special events & swim/dive meets.

Mango Bay Play Pool

Monday-Friday

11:30AM*-8:00PM

Saturday & Sunday

11:30AM*-7:00PM

Otter Island Sprayground

Monday-Friday

11:30AM*-8:00PM*

Saturday & Sunday

2:00-7:00PM

'Cuda Cove Competitive Pool

Monday/Wednesday/Friday

1:00-8:00PM

Tuesday/Thursday

1:00-6:00PM

Saturday & Sunday

11:30AM*-7:00PM

*The Oasis opens at 11:00AM to pass holders.

LAP SWIM HOURS + RATES:

Pass holders: Free

Non-Pass holders: Res \$2/Non-Res \$4

Mango Bay:

Monday-Friday

6:00-8:00AM

'Cuda Cove:

Monday-Friday

12:00-1:00PM

8:00-9:00PM

POOL CLOSING POLICY

At the discretion of the pool manager, the pool may be closed for the following reasons:

1. Air temperature falls below 68°F
2. Heavy rain
3. Lightning/thunder (once detector gives us notification of lightning/thunder, it takes a minimum of 30 minutes for an all clear signal to be given)
4. Mechanical or chemical problem
5. Less than 50 patrons for an hour
6. Attractions will close as attendance decreases

SPECIAL DATES AND HOLIDAYS

Date	Opening Day	Oasis Hours
June 4	Opening Day	4:00-8:00PM
June 13	Swim Meet	Cuda Cove closes at 4PM
June 16	Swim Meet	Cuda Cove opens at 1PM
June 23	Swim Meet	Cuda Cove opens at 1PM
TBD	Dive Meet	Cuda Cove closes at 4PM
July 4	Independence Day	11:30AM-5:00PM
TBD	Dive Meet	Cuda Cove closes at 4PM
July 11	Swim Meet	Cuda Cove closes at 4PM
July 14	Swim Meet	Cuda Cove opens at 1PM
August 7	National Night Out	1:30AM-4:00PM Re-opens 6:00-9:00PM
August 14	Last day of regular hours	
August 15	Post season hours begin	TBD
September 3	Last day of operation for 2007	

Planning an Event? We Have your Solution!



Bloomingdale Park District Museum in Old Town

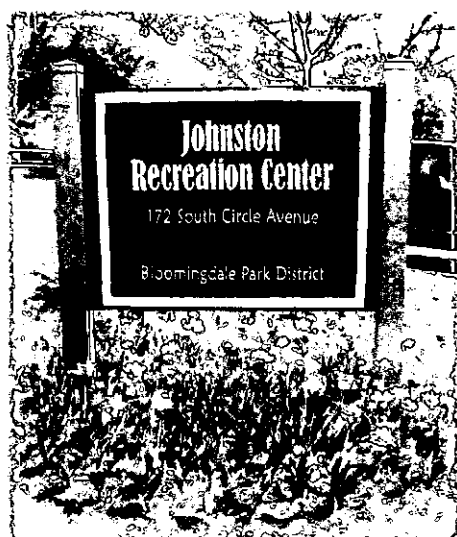
This renovated historic facility, geared for formal gatherings and business meetings, will add a touch of class to any party. Two rooms are available at limited times, with each room able to accommodate groups of up to 50. A kitchenette with a refrigerator and sink is available. Alcohol is permitted with proper permit and additional fees apply.

Old Town Pavilion

The Old Town Pavilion is located in Old Town Park in the Old Town District. The quaintness of Old Town Park with its formal fountains makes the pavilion an ideal facility for weddings and large group outings.

Johnston Recreation Center

The JRC has many rooms available for rent that can fit any of your needs! Our three-basketball court gym with attached kitchen can accommodate a group of up to 250 or we have several classroom/meeting rooms that can accommodate groups of up to 50. Our large kitchen with two ovens and a refrigerator is available with any room rental for an additional fee.

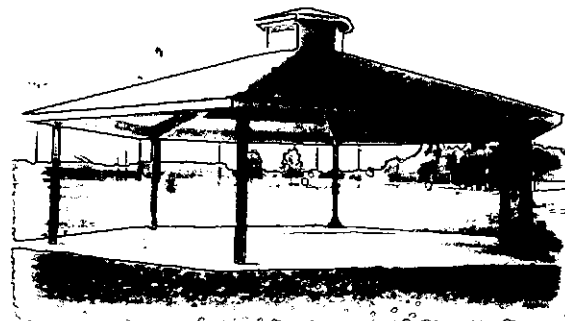


Springfield Park:

This 40' hexagon pavilion is located behind the basketball courts near the wetlands at the Park. Picnic tables are permanently available with the shelter.

The Oasis:

Birthday party and rental information also available!



Call 529-3650 for rental information and to book any of the facilities above! All facility rentals require proper paperwork and applicable fees. Detailed rental binders are available for viewing at the Bloomingdale Park District front office. Rental forms may be downloaded at www.bloomingtonparks.org

Adult Trips

BLOOMINGDALE PARK DISTRICT

Trip Exertion Level



= low



= moderate



= high

For your convenience and planning purposes, the activity level required on a trip is noted next to its description.

1 Shoe = Mostly sitting, minimal walking, and only occasionally on and off the bus.

2 Shoes = A moderate mixture of walking, sitting, and on and off the bus.

3 Shoes = Expect a lot of walking, not a lot of sitting, and on and off the bus several times.

Cubs Trip

Chicago Cubs Vs. Pittsburgh Pirates

Join us on a trip to see the Chicago Cubs take on the Pirates for a May 9 evening game at beautiful Wrigley Field. Participants 17 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Fee includes ticket and transportation. Walk-in and on-line registration is currently being accepted for this trip. Registration deadline is May 2.

Location: JRC Parking Lot

MIN/MAX: 30/40

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	W	04:30-10:30P	05/09-05/09	\$26/31	403219-A1

Devil and the White City Tour

Travel with About Tours to see the haunts of serial killer H.H. Holmes, who stalked his prey at the 1893 Chicago World's Columbian Exposition. During a driving tour of the sites of the fair, you will see the great golden Statue of the Republic, the Palace of Fine Arts and learn about the construction of the fair and the deadly deeds of Holmes, featured in the book, "Devil in the White City" by Eric Larsen. We will have lunch in Chinatown and also visit the Chicago Cultural Center and City Hall to see historic photographs taken at the fair and Chicago landmark buildings designed by the fair architects. We will see other sites related to the fair and learn how the fair gave Chicago its nickname of The Windy City! Registration deadline is May 30.

Location: Medinah Park District

Instructor: Staff



MIN/MAX: 10/13

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	W	09:00-03:00P	06/20-06/20	\$57/62	403237-A1

Chicago Segway Tour

Don't miss out on this unique opportunity to explore Chicago like you never have before: on a Segway! Segways are those motorized, scooter-looking machines that are taking the country by storm! They provide a fantastically fun, smooth and safe ride for anyone looking for a day of adventure. You will enjoy a 3-hour private tour including Chicago's lakefront, Millennium Park, Museum Campus and more. Also, at the end of our tour we will park our Segways and enjoy a beautiful outdoor lunch on your own at the Park Grill, located in Millennium Park. Please note: pregnant women are not permitted to ride on Segways. Registration deadline is June 20, 2007.



Location: JRC Parking Lot

Instructor: Staff



MIN/MAX: 15/19

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	W	08:15-04:00P	06/27-06/27	\$80/85	403235-A1

Chicago Premium Outlet

Come enjoy a day exploring the fabulous shopping at the Premium Outlets in Aurora. Tuesdays feature the 50 Plus Shopper Club, where you can take an additional 10% off at participating stores. This beautiful outdoor mall features a full food court as well as Red Star Tavern for your lunch options, and for shopping you'll enjoy Ann Taylor, Ellen Tracy, Ralph Lauren, Calvin Klein, Mikasa, Easy Spirit...and so much more! Bring your girlfriends and spend a day of relaxation. Registration deadline is July 11, 2007. For a complete store listing, visit www.premiumoutlets.com/chicago.

Location: JRC Parking Lot

Instructor: Staff



MIN/MAX: 3/15

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	Tu	10:00-05:00P	07/17-07/17	\$13/18	403236-A1

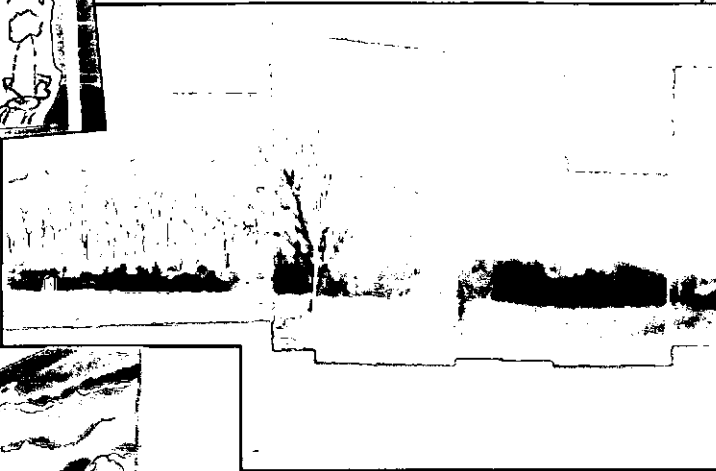
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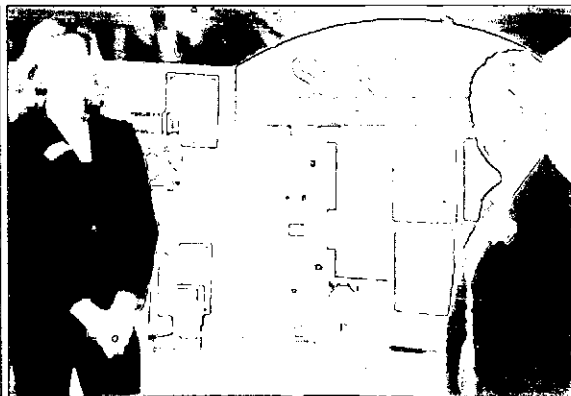
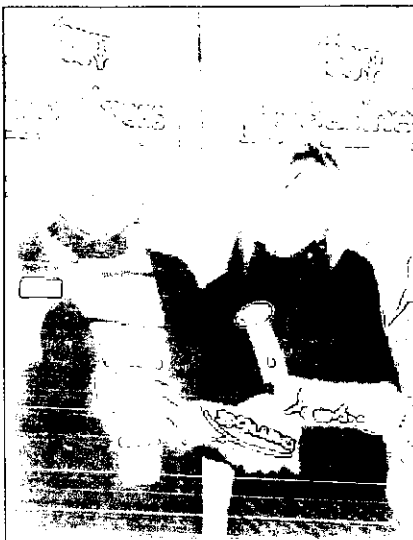


Student Art Show at Park District Museum Through April 21

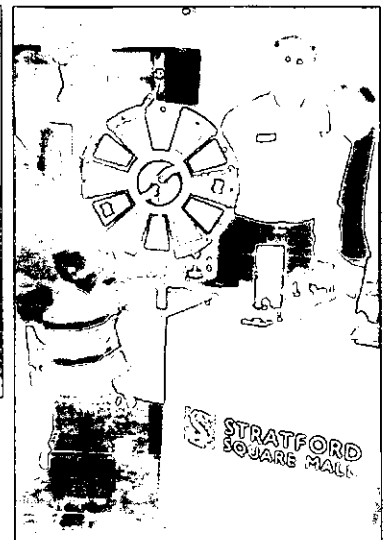
The Bloomingdale Park District Museum is delighted to host the 24th Annual Student Art Show at 108 S. Bloomingdale Road now through April 21st.

Participating schools are Blackhawk, Cloverdale, DuJardin, Elise Johnson, Erickson, Glenbard North High School, Lake Park High School, Marquardt Middle, St. Isidore, St. Walter, Stratford Middle, Trinity Lutheran, Waterbury, Westfield Middle and Winnebago.

During the exhibit, the Museum is open on Wed. 4-8 p.m., Thurs/Fri. 10-4 p.m. and Sat. 12-4 p.m. Please call the museum at (630) 539-3096 and leave a message if you need more information.



The 5-Star Expo, hosted by the Bloomingdale Chamber in February, provided a lot of networking for businesses from six towns. Best Buy, Sunrise Assisted Living and Stratford Square Mall were only three off the Bloomingdale businesses taking part.



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