



Village of Bloomingdale Almanac

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From the Desk of Mayor Bob Iden

The Village of Bloomingdale was recently commended by the Save Abandoned Babies Foundation for being one of the first 100 Illinois towns to be in compliance with a law passed last August requiring that all Illinois hospitals, fire stations, police stations and sheriffs offices that are "Safe Havens," post a sign on the exterior of the building in a conspicuous location.

This law gives parents in crisis a safe, legal, confidential and anonymous option to safely abandon their baby during its first days of life. This is when infants are most at risk of being killed or abandoned illegally. The Safe Haven signs show where a parent who cannot care for a newborn infant (up to seven days old) can legally hand their unharmed baby to a staff member and walk away, no questions asked.

We have had our sign posted in front of the Bloomingdale Police Department since fall of 2007 and would like to make the community aware of this. Protecting children is a shared community responsibility and we are happy to offer this option in the interest of providing a "safe haven" for these newborn babies.

So far this summer I have had an opportunity to take part in two very special events. On Monday, June 30, I was honored to carry the Olympic Torch on the final leg of the run around Circle Park in the opening ceremonies for the Bloomingdale Park District's 2008 Olympic Games. Once I declared the "games open," the Jesse White Tumblers, with Jesse White himself in attendance, took to the field to give an amazing performance. The official opening was just the beginning of a month and a half of events for all ages and abilities. The last three events take place in August so check the website (www.bloomingtonparks.org) or call the park district (630-529-3650) for details. See photos from the June 30th event on p. 10.

On Saturday, July 19, I was able to take part in a parade at Marklund Philip Center for Children on Prairie Avenue as part of the opening ceremonies for their annual Children's Home Summer Games. I am pleased to have taken part in this uplifting event for several years. Marklund residents participated in a fun-filled day of games themed "Around the World." This year's games included Ireland Croquet and Antarctica Ice Fishing.

As the summer starts to slip away, we will look forward to our traditional end of the summer event, Septemberfest. This year the fest marks 36 years of celebrating with friends and family. Check page 11 to get the details.

Mayor Bob Iden



The sign denotes the Bloomingdale Police Department is a "Safe Haven" for newborns. The Bloomingdale Fire Department is also a designated Safe Haven.

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

1st Thursday of the month
5:00 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

New and Improved Village Website -- CHECK IT OUT!!!

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

electronic message, our website address is:

www.villageofbloomington.org



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

Seven Scholarships Awarded



The Bloomingdale Chamber of Commerce held its annual Scholarship Breakfast on June 12. Chairperson Dr Bridget Horan announced that this year the Chamber awarded seven \$1000 scholarships due to the generosity of the following members: Joe Bohne of Old Town Bank & Trust, State Representative Franco Coladipietro of the 45th District, Salomon Diaz, proprietor of Ourback Steakhouse, Mayor Bob Iden, Tom Itrich of Huskie Tools and Kevin Mottlowitz of Stratford Crossing Shopping Center which sponsored two scholarships.

Scholarship winners and business people who contributed: l to r) Amanda Grandinetti, Mottlowicz, Claudia Fantauzzo, Katie Lorenz, Susan DiMeo of Old Town Bank, Mayor Iden, Nicole Lomotan, Patrick Jecmen, and Itrich. Scholars Michael Hannigan and Patricia Monette and Chamber members Bohne, Coladipietro and Diaz are not pictured.

Street Sweeping Scheduled for Fall; Leaf Pickup Available Thru Allied Waste

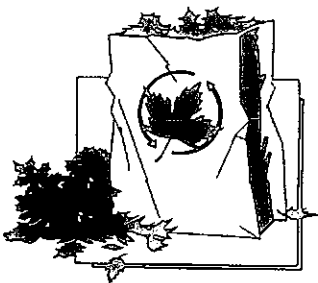
The Village provides street sweeping services through a private contractor periodically throughout the year. Several sweeps are scheduled to take place in the fall. Street sweeping maintains the Village's attractive appearance, while reducing the potential for flooding caused by debris at curb lines.

The Village does not provide leaf collection services, and residents are reminded that raking and/or blowing leaves into the street is a violation of Village Ordinance #2000-10, which prohibits the dumping or placing of any waste upon any Village street or other public property.

Residents are encouraged to participate in Allied Waste Industries' yard waste/leaf collection program. Leaves and yard waste placed in yard waste bags or cans (with handles) will be picked up by Allied Waste on regular trash days through November 30th. Weight limit of each bag or can is 50 pounds. A yard waste sticker (\$2.25 each) must be affixed to each bag or can. Stickers can be purchased at:

- Bloomington Village Hall, 201 S. Bloomington Road
- Bloomington Pharmacy, 156 S. Bloomington Road
- Butera Foods, 550 W. Lake Street, Roselle
- Caputo's Fresh Market, 166 E. Lake Street
- Len's Ace, 272 W. Lake Street
- Meijer Supermarket, 130 S. Gary Avenue
- Jewel Food Store, Bloomington & Army Trail Roads

Questions concerning the yard waste/leaf collection program can be directed to Allied Waste at 847-429-7370.

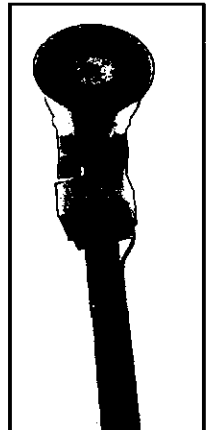


Weather Emergency Alert Sirens Signal Severe Weather in the Area

During severe weather residents will sometimes hear a warning siren. Information for activation of this warning system comes from the National Weather Service, State or Federal Agencies, local Public Officials and /or first hand observation. Most often, it comes from the National Weather Service's current information regarding storm conditions.

The Weather Emergency Alert system is activated when any of the following conditions are present:

- ☐ The Village of Bloomington is in the path of an approaching tornado.
- ☐ Conditions of an approaching storm exist for the development of a tornado.
- ☐ A tornado sighting within the Village of Bloomington or nearby communities is confirmed.
- ☐ It has been confirmed that "damaging force" winds will be impacting the Village of Bloomington
- ☐ The National Weather Service has issued a Severe Storm/ High Wind Warning indicating damaging force winds.



There is no differentiation in the sound of the warning siren for a tornado or damaging winds. The siren is a steady tone which rings for three minutes and warns us of any of these weather concerns. No matter which weather reason causes the activation of the warning siren, residents are encouraged to proceed to an interior room on the lowest level of their home or business. They should then monitor local television, radio, weather alert radio or current weather data for the most up-to-date information.

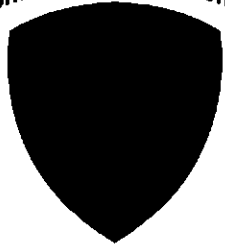
The four weather sirens in Bloomington are located: off Glen Ellyn Road and Carriage Way by the Village's Eastside pump station; in Old Town near the rear of the old Village Hall; at Stratford Park; and at Gary and Lawrence. The weather sirens are tested the first Tuesday of each month at 10:00am.

We also have lightning detectors located at the Bloomington Golf Club and in all parks, except the newly opened Erie Park which will be addressed in the near future. These detectors are made to alert people within the vicinity of these properties of the danger of lightning.

The "warning" signal is a solid tone approximately fifteen to twenty seconds in length. This tone indicates an actual lightning strike to ground has occurred within a ten-mile radius. You should seek appropriate shelter when you hear this signal.

The system will continue to monitor the lightning and after fifteen minutes of no lightning activity in that ten-mile area the "All Clear" signal will sound. The "All Clear" signal is an alternating high / low tone, also fifteen to twenty seconds in length. The sound made by the lightning detectors is not meant to carry far as they are for the designated areas.

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Ever Thought About Being a Bloomingdale Police Officer?

Application packages for Police Officer are currently available at the Bloomingdale Police Department. A \$25 non-refundable fee will be charged per application package.

Completed applications must be returned by 4:30 p.m. on August 8, 2008.

For more information, call Donna Hulata (630) 671-5703.

Welcome Angelo Tenerilli!

Bloomington's newest police officer, Angelo Tenerilli, was sworn in by Mayor Iden at the July 14 Village Board meeting. A former graduate of William Rainey Harper College, Tenerilli entered the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy in July and is slated for graduation mid-September. He will come back to do field training with veteran officers. We welcome him to the force.

The Tenerilli clan proudly turned out for Angelo's swearing in.

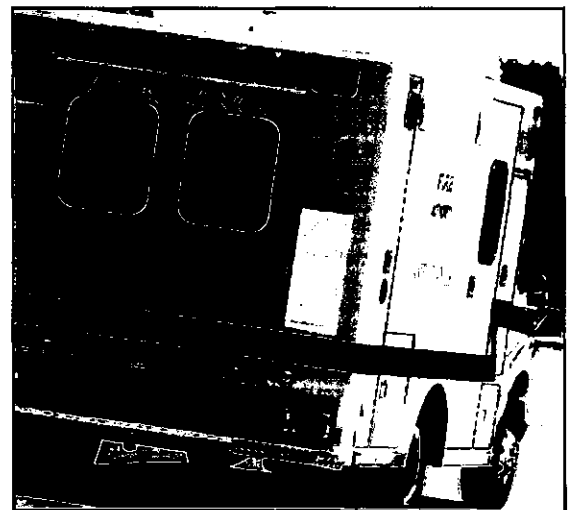


Yielding Safely to Emergency Vehicles: Here's What You Need to Know

The Bloomingdale Police ask for motorists' cooperation in making day to day commuting a safer experience. Questions recently raised by drivers include the proper response to approaching emergency vehicles and proceeding through an accident area where emergency vehicles are on call.

The Bloomingdale Police Department offers the following information and tips:

- Be aware of other vehicular and pedestrian traffic; always drive defensively.
- Check mirrors and be aware of flashing or fully engaged "opticom" emergency traffic control system at intersections (white flashing light on arm of traffic light control extending across lane of traffic)
- When approached by an emergency vehicle using sirens and flashing lights, yield and immediately drive to the right, waiting for emergency vehicle to pass. If stopped at an intersection with two-way traffic, remain stopped until emergency vehicle passes.
- When approaching a stationary emergency vehicle with lights flashing, proceed with caution, yield and change to a lane away from the emergency vehicle.
- When approaching or entering a highway construction area, slow down, yield to any authorized vehicle or pedestrian working within the area. Proceed with caution and change to a lane away from the workers.



WELCOME
Bloomingdale is a
CRIME WATCH
community



We immediately report
all suspicious activities
to our Police Department

OUR SUCCESS IS MEASURED BY THE SCOPE OF YOUR INVOLVEMENT

Sincerely,

Tim Goergen,
Chief of Police

Dawn Odoi,
Community Relations
Officer

529-9868

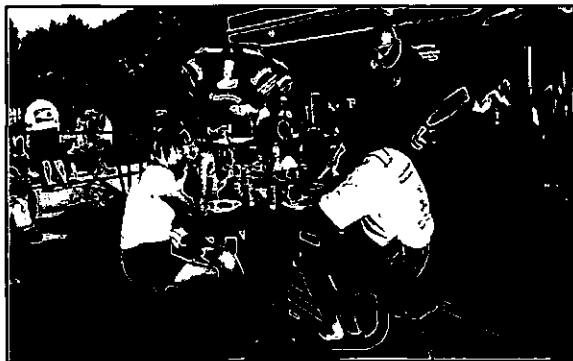
25th Annual National Night Out Set for August 5th at Park District

The Bloomingdale Police Department, the Bloomingdale Neighborhood Watch Program and the Bloomingdale Park District invite the public to the "25th Annual National Night Out Against Crime" event scheduled for Tuesday, August 5th, 2008, from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Bloomingdale Park District.

The National Night Out Against Crime event is a unique evening to thank the Neighborhood Watch Block Captains and the participating residents who have worked with the police department and other agencies in crime and drug prevention efforts. The event also encourages continued support and involvement of all residents in such efforts. Involvement by everyone (Village Officials, Police/Fire Personnel, residents, businesses, schools, churches, etc.) is the key to keeping Bloomingdale safe.

National Night Out Against Crime provides the opportunity to meet other active residents and create partnerships with your neighbors and Village agencies to work together to maintain the quality of life of our community. Food (hot dogs, hamburgers, chips, cookies, etc.) will be provided free of cost between 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. The pool is open to all attending the event and organized games and prizes are scheduled. Giveaway items will be distributed while they last.

Please consider joining us for this free, fun, family event and help us to
"Take A Bite Out Of Crime".



Parents & Kids: Be Extra Vigilant About Importance of 'Stranger Danger' During Summer Months

During the summer people enjoy spending time in great outdoors. The Bloomingdale Police Department cautions young people and their parents to be aware that there are unscrupulous individuals who also look forward to the warm temperatures when they can monitor the schools and playground areas where youngsters gather.

The Bloomingdale Police Department strongly encourages children and young adults to avoid contact with unfamiliar individuals who may ask for directions, attempt to provide gifts/money, or engage in any conversation. The "Stranger Danger" talks apply to everyone, no matter the age or physical size of a person.

The Bloomingdale Police Department also encourages anyone who has an encounter with a suspicious person and/or vehicle, to please notify our agency as soon as possible, once he/she is in a safe place.

Any questions or concerns regarding this information, can be directed to Officer Dawn Odoi at (630) 529-9868.

Have a safe and fun summer!

Smoke Free Solutions

83% of DuPage County residents do not smoke. Join the Crowd.

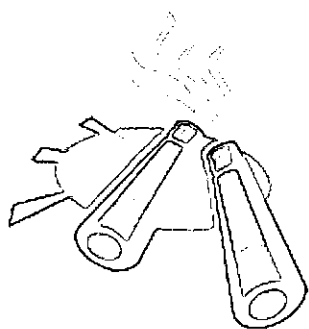
Smoke Free Solutions is the DuPage County Health Department's Free smoking cessation class that can help you quit smoking and stay tobacco free for life.

The seven session class begins Thursday, September 4 from 6 - 7:30 p.m. at Central DuPage Hospital. Register by calling 630-933-4CDH.

To speak with a counselor immediately, you may call the Illinois Tobacco Quitline at 1-866 QUIT-YES.

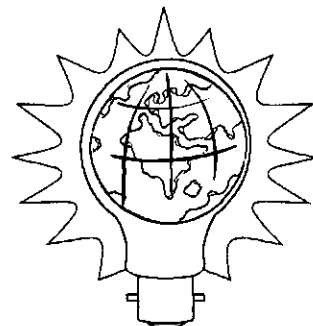
Need More Reasons?

- ☐ Save \$1,900 a year
- ☐ Nicotine leaves your body in three days
- ☐ Lower your risk of heart disease and types of cancer



Compact Florescent Light (CFL) Bulbs: Why Use Them?

Lighting accounts for close to 20 percent of the average home's electric bill. CFLs use up to 75 percent less energy than incandescent light bulbs, and last up to 10 times longer. If every home in America replaced just one incandescent light bulb with a CFL it would reduce greenhouse gas emissions (that contribute to global climate change) equal to that of 800,000 cars.



When **NOT** to Use CFLs:

- ☐ In Vibrating Fixtures (i.e. ceiling fans, garage door opener), as vibration can cause the CFL to fail.
- ☐ In Recessed Lights, as some fluorescent ballasts are unreliable in ambient temperatures much over 120°F (50°C). This can sometimes be a problem in enclosed or recessed ceiling fixtures if heat in the fixture builds up.
- ☐ With a Dimmer Switch, unless you buy a CFL specifically made to work with dimmers. Using a regular CFL with a dimming switch can shorten bulb life.
- ☐ In Fixtures Turned On/Off Frequently, as CFL bulbs work best if they are left on for over fifteen minutes each time they are turned on. Frequently switching them on and off will shorten the life of the bulb.

Disposal of Burnt-Out CFL Bulbs:

- ☐ Illinois permits burnt-out and/or broken CFL bulbs to be placed in the regular garbage. The CFL bulb should be placed in two plastic bags before being set in the trash. CFLs should not be disposed of in an incinerator.
- ☐ Residents may stop by the Village Hall, 201 S. Bloomingdale Road or the Bloomingdale Public Library, 101 Fairfield Way, to pick up a complimentary CFL bulb - one per family while supplies last.

For more information on CFL bulbs and disposal/clean-up, and recycling, visit www.epa.gov/mercury or www.energystar.gov/cfls

Fall Branch Collection Begins on October 20; Special Pickups Following Severe Storms

If you missed the summer branch collection, don't despair. There is one more free branch collection for residents this year. Our fall branch collection will begin on Monday, October 20. Kramer Tree Specialists, Inc. will once again perform branch collection under the direction of the Village Forestry Division. The program is only available to single family detached residences. Townhome residents should contact their association.

In the event of severe storms, the Village will provide storm damage collection of woody branches ½ inch to 6 inches in diameter. Please contact the Forestry Division at 630-671-5800 within 72 hours of storm for branch collection.



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BE KIND TO YOUR TREES & SHRUBS:

Watering Tips from the University of Illinois Extension Office & The Morton Arboretum

Trees and shrubs require just as much care as vegetable and flower gardens, according to the University of Illinois Extension Office. Watering is a common practice associated with all plants.

Contrary to popular belief, most roots are not located beneath the tree or shrub and few roots are found deep in the soil. Most tree or shrub roots that absorb water, called feeder roots, are within the top 15 inches of soil. If the soil is heavily compacted clay, roots may be even closer to the surface. These roots are generally congregated at the dripline, or outer branches, of the plant. Since the tree's branches act like an umbrella, it only makes sense that roots are past the dripline. Mature plants may have feeder roots extending 6 to 50 feet past the dripline.

Feeder roots aren't large. Most are finer than a strand of hair. They are easily severed when digging or can dry out during droughts. Yet, they are easily replaced during the winter.

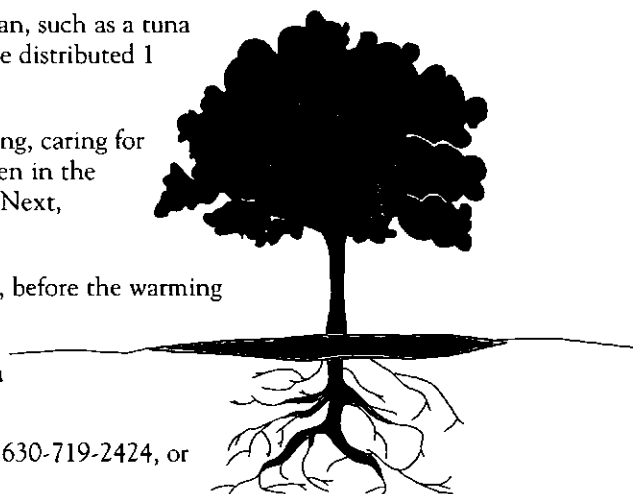
Watering should occur when less than an inch of rain has fallen in a two-week period and temperatures have passed 85° F. For practical purposes, plan on providing an inch or two of water every two weeks. In order to saturate the soil, apply the amount in a single application. Several light applications totaling an inch or two over a two-week period tends to force roots to the surface in search of water.

Here are additional watering tips from The Morton Arboretum:

- Let the top few inches of soil dry out between waterings to avoid saturation and to allow roots and soil organisms to breathe.
- Use soaker hoses and drip irrigation -- effective watering tools because they discharge even streams of slow, trickling water directly to the root zone beneath trees and shrubs. When combined with a 3 or 4-inch layer of organic mulch, plants can use nearly all of the water that's provided with little evaporation loss.
- Another effective means of watering a small tree is letting a hose run slowly at its base until the ground is moist. For large trees, let the hose run at various points around the tree's drip line - the imaginary line on the ground that encircles a tree's extended branches.
- Water shrubs at the plant base and under the spread of branches until soil is moistened to a depth of 6 to 8 inches.
- When using a sprinkler system, place a container (an inch-thick can, such as a tuna fish or cat food can, works well) nearby to measure when you have distributed 1 inch of water to the soil.
- Plants vary in their ability to tolerate water stress. Prioritize watering, caring for newly transplanted trees and shrubs first, then those that have been in the ground from 2 to 5 years and have under-developed root systems. Next, water "specimen" trees or important trees, then all other plants.
- Water strategically. Plants absorb more water in the early morning, before the warming sun can cause evaporation.
- Avoid using fertilizer during drought conditions. Fertilizer salts can cause root injury when soil moisture is limited.

For more information, call The Morton Arboretum's Plant Clinic at 630-719-2424, or visit the University of Illinois Extension web site at

<http://www.urbanext.uiuc.edu/news/news.cfm?NewsID=6983>



THE BLOOMINGDALE

BUSINESS BEAT

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.

BUSINESSES NEWS

PATIENTS IN THE CENTRAL DUPAGE PHYSICIAN GROUP OFFICE OF DRs. VOSICKY, MCGRAW AND ZORETIC IN BLOOMINGDALE (245 S. Gary Ave., Suite LLA) are seeing double. Patient Services Representative and resident artist Maureen Schmidt (pictured in photo) recently hand painted a mural of Noah's Ark and many of the animals that plan to board it -- in pairs, of course. The mural has been painted in an infant exam room and has been a wonderful distraction technique to calm frightened children. "The nurses ask the children to find the different animals, it really seems to lower their level of stress," said Practice Manager Sheila Fehrenbach. Schmidt, who graduated from Loyola with a major in art history, creates murals on the side. She donated her time and labor for the project in the doctor's office.



MICKEY'S CAR WASH, formerly the DO-IT-TO-IT Car Wash, is located at 377 Glen Ellyn Road in Bloomingdale. The family owned business is operated by Mickey and Laurie Ruffolo and son, Vince. Though the Ruffolos recently purchased this location, they have been in the car wash industry for 22 years and will use their expertise to continually improve this facility.

They have already modernized the building and installed new vacuums and shampoo machines, as well as two touch free automatic car washes. In addition to providing the best possible service, the Ruffolos also hope to become active in the community. Mickey's Car Wash is open 24 hours a day.

OWN FOR THE SAME AS RENT!!!

ROSA WAYDA OF EXECUTIVE REALTY GROUP, along with four other professionals, John Rossini of Amber Mortgage, Renee Kuruc from Country Financial, Jeff Lisse of At Home Inspection, and a local real estate attorney will join together in hosting a seminar to explain how to "Own for the Same as Rent."

The team will educate and guide attendees through the process of turning your rent payment into a mortgage payment. This free seminar will be held on Tuesday, August 19th 7:00 pm at Executive Realty Group, 140 W. Lake St. (at the corner of Lake Street & south Maple). R.S.V.P. to Rosa (630) 774-2396 to reserve your seat.

Fight the Bite!

Dr. Damon T. Arnold, state public health director, announced the first birds testing positive for West Nile virus this year were found in crows collected in late June in Rockford, Winnebago County. Mosquito batches testing positive for West Nile virus have since been reported in Adams, DuPage, Cook, Jackson, St. Clair and Tazewell counties.

"These positive results remind us that we need to protect ourselves against mosquitoes, especially with all the recent flooding," said Dr. Arnold. "As the waters from the flooding recede and pools of water are left behind, we'll start seeing more and more mosquitoes that carry West Nile virus. I urge everyone to get rid of any stagnant water around their homes to reduce the number of mosquitoes, and to make sure you wear insect repellent to protect yourself."

Last year 46 of the state's 102 counties were found to have a West Nile positive bird, mosquito, horse or human case. A total of 101 human cases of West Nile disease, including four deaths, were reported last year in Illinois.

Surveillance for West Nile virus in Illinois began on May 1 and includes laboratory tests on mosquitoes, dead crows, blue jays, robins and other perching birds as well as the testing of sick horses and humans with West Nile-like disease symptoms. Residents who observe a sick or dying crow, blue jay, robin or other perching bird, should contact the DuPage County Health Department at 630-682-7979 or the Bloomingdale Public Works at 630-671-5800.

West Nile virus is transmitted through the bite of a mosquito that has picked up the virus by feeding on an infected bird. Most people with the virus have no clinical symptoms of illness, but some may become ill three to 15 days after the bite of an infected mosquito. The first human case in Illinois is not usually reported until July or later.

Only about two people in 10 who are bitten by an infected mosquito will experience any illness. Illness from West Nile is usually mild and includes fever, headache and body aches, but serious illness, such as encephalitis and meningitis, and death are possible.



The best way to prevent West Nile disease or any other mosquito-borne illness is to reduce the number of mosquitoes around your home and to take personal precautions to avoid mosquito bites. Precautions include:

- ☐ Avoid being outdoors when mosquitoes are most active, especially between dusk and dawn. Use prevention methods whenever mosquitoes are present.
- ☐ When outdoors, wear shoes and socks, long pants and a long-sleeved shirt, and apply insect repellent that includes DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus or IR 3535 according to label instructions. Consult a physician before using repellents on infants.
- ☐ Make sure doors and windows have tight-fitting screens. Repair or replace screens that have tears or other openings. Try to keep doors and windows shut, especially at night.
- ☐ Eliminate all sources of standing water that can support mosquito breeding, including water in bird baths, ponds, flowerpots, wading pools, old tires and any other receptacles.

Public health officials believe that a hot summer could increase mosquito activity and the risk of disease from West Nile virus. Contact Clarke Mosquito Hotline at 800-942-2555 to report areas of stagnant water in roadside ditches, flooded yards and similar locations that may produce mosquitoes.

Additional information about West Nile virus can be found at www.idph.state.il.us/envhealth/wnv.htm.

Calling All Dogs

At 2 p.m., Sunday, September 28, the Bloomingdale Lions Club, Westfield Middle School Leo Club, Erickson School Cub Scout Pack #457, and (new this year!) the Bloomingdale VFW Post 7539 will present the Third Annual Walk-a-Dog-a-Thon at Springfield Park Nature Trail. More details coming in the Fall issue or check the Lions website at www.bloomingtonlionsclub.org.

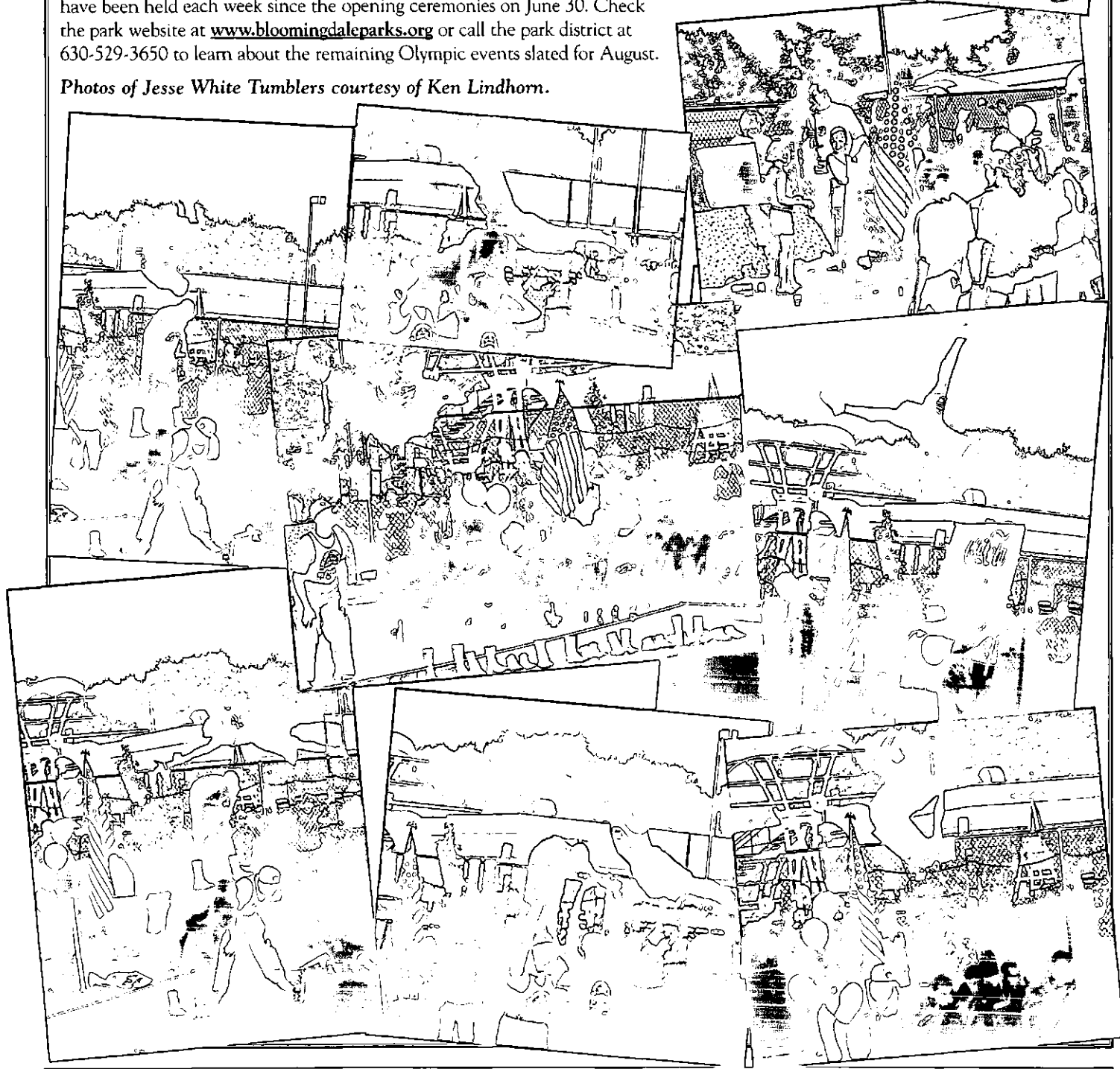


Opening Ceremonies for the 2008 Bloomingdale Olympic Games

Mayor Iden carried the Olympic torch the last leg of the run around Circle Park bringing it to the stage as the Bloomingdale Park District kicked off its own Summer Olympics on June 30. Once the Mayor officially declared the "Games Open," the Jesse White Tumblers put on an amazing show as the festivities of the opening ceremonies continued. It was especially fun to see Secretary of State Jesse White take part in the performance.

A variety of fun and challenging events for all ages have been held each week since the opening ceremonies on June 30. Check the park website at www.bloomingdaleparks.org or call the park district at 630-529-3650 to learn about the remaining Olympic events slated for August.

Photos of Jesse White Tumblers courtesy of Ken Lindhorn.



Septemberfest 2008 --36 Years of Celebrating with Family and Friends!

By M.J. Frumkin

Bloomington prides itself on being a community where you can experience a small-town atmosphere in booming DuPage County. With that in mind, we present the 36th annual Septemberfest celebration, a day of fun and entertainment planned for you, your family and friends. Come join us on Saturday, September 6, 2008 in Bloomington Old Town (Lake and Third Streets).

Festivities will commence with the greater Septemberfest Parade, leading off at 11:00 a.m. from DuJardin School on Euclid. The parade then heads north on Euclid to Schick Road, and marches west on Schick Road into Old Town. There will be colorful floats, marching bands, the Medinah Clown Unit, Medinah Black Horse Troop, and a one-of-a-kind, 1/3 scale model of a Piper Navajo "street cruising" airplane. Your participation in the parade is welcome. For information, contact Gloria Tomaras at 630-878-4407 by August 17, 2008.

When the parade concludes in Old Town, join the fun activities and entertainment, with opening ceremonies at 12-noon. New this year, is the Kids Transportation Contest, where anyone 15 and under can bring their decorated bike, scooter, wagon and skateboard, and compete for prizes. Everyone who enters receives a commemorative ribbon.

Live musical bands performing on stage include, "The Sting Rays" from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and "The New Invaders" with their '60's flashbacks from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

There will be a variety of vendors offering a large selection of yummy treats and refreshing drinks to please the taste buds.

Septemberfest also features creative arts and crafts for sale. Booth spaces are still available; call Vivi at 630-894-6637 for information by August 17, 2008.

The 6th annual Motorcycle Show is scheduled from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. If you are interested in showing your motorcycle, please call Mark at 630-415-5385 for further details. The People's Choice Award benefits motorcycle safety and education.

Also, the Classic Car Show runs from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. There is no entrance fee! Trophies are awarded for best vehicles and all entries receive a commemorative plaque. If you have a unique car or truck that you would like to display, contact Marilyn Zaccardi at 630-893-0956 by August 17, 2008.

The Septemberfest/Joe Draghi Memorial Scholarship Contest winners will be announced at 5:00 p.m. This scholarship fund has given thousands of dollars to young adults in our community. Thanks to all who have given so far. If you would like to help, please consider becoming a "Friend of Septemberfest." Your name will be listed on signs posted throughout the fest as a donor and your charitable contribution will help young men and women toward a better future. A form to donate is located to the right.

Be sure to designate Saturday the 6th on your calendar and make plans to be a part of Septemberfest 2008. It promises to be a most enjoyable time for family and friends. For further information, call the Septemberfest Hotline at 630-671-5680 after August 15.

Support the 36th Anniversary Celebration

Be a Friend of Septemberfest!

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

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

Name (as you wish it to be listed)

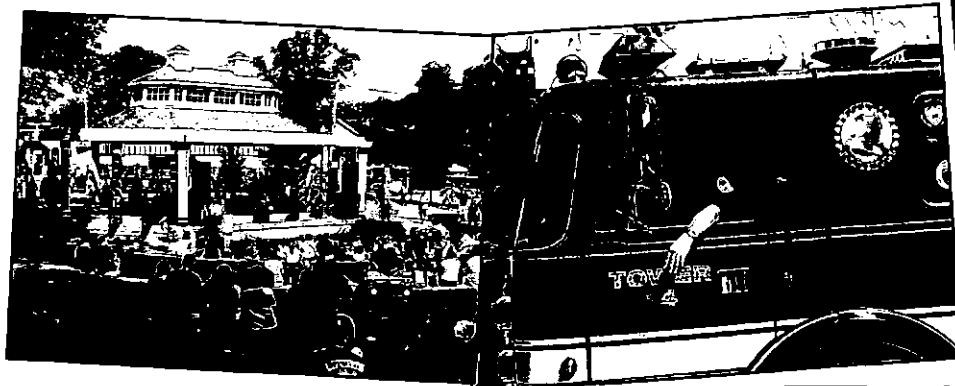
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Mail your check or money order made payable to Septemberfest 2008 to:
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EVENTS

Treasure or Trash?

On Saturday, August 2, the Bloomingdale Historical Society will sponsor an Antique Appraiser Program at the Bloomingdale Public Library, 101 Fairfield Way, from 10:00 am-2:00 pm. During that time, Brian Meyer from Somerset Estate Sales will be appraising items brought in by anyone who would like to discover what their treasured items might be worth. The number of items per person will be restricted to three. The first item will be free with a total charge of \$5.00 for the next two items.

This appraisal opportunity is available to all items with the exception of extremely heavy objects, large gemstones, and weapons. Advanced registration for this program is required, so please call Kandy Jones at 632-529-3120 ext. 2801.

Heartland Blood Center Gives 'Udder' Thanks to Summertime Donors

Bloomingdale Church, 264 Glen Ellyn Road, sponsors a blood drive for Heartland Blood Centers in the church's gym on Saturday, August 9 from 8 a.m. - Noon. Call the church office at 894-0090 for more information or to make an appointment. A photo ID is required.

If you give blood at this drive, you will receive a MOOLA card from Oberweiss Ice Cream & Dairy store, pre-loaded with a free quart of Oberweiss ice cream. It's just one more reason to donate blood this summer.

Villagers Club Upcoming Activities

The Villagers Club of Bloomingdale presents its annual summer social on Thursday, August 28 at 6:30 pm at the Bloomingdale Public Library, 101 Fairfield Way. Meet the members and learn about the many interest groups to join - bridge, Bunco, canasta, bowling and golf, as well as monthly salad luncheons in members' homes and other activities. If you are looking for friendship and activities, come out for a night of fun and see what they are about. The Villagers is open to all area women. Refreshments will be served. For more information call Sandy at 630-351-4170 or Joan at 630-529-9773.

The September meeting will challenge members to "Think Green! Kay McKeen of S.C.A.R.C.E. (School and Community Assistance for Recycling & Composting Education) will present "21st Century Solutions to 20th Century Problems." McKeen, who is one of the ten top environmentalists in Illinois, will provide a hands-on demonstration of how to save energy and recycle. Find out how you can go green on Thursday, September 4 at 6:30 p.m. at the library. Couples and singles welcome. For more info call Bette at 630-924-6861 or Joan at 630-529-9773

Thursday, October 2 marks the Villagers' annual auction, which has been a charity fundraiser for the club for over twenty years. Collectibles, foodstuffs, home accessories, handmade items, holiday gifts and gift certificates from local businesses are all up for auction. The evening of bargains and fun starts at 6:30 p.m. at the Bloomingdale Golf Club, 181 Glen Ellyn Road. Questions - call Maureen at 630-351-3345 or Joan at 630-529-9773.



There will be lots of great buys at the Villagers charity auction.

Garden Club's Annual Meeting Business Honors Members Age 80 and More

The Bloomingdale Garden Club's annual Business Meeting will be held at 6 p.m. at the Village Hall Council Room, focusing on the club's goals and future plans, including membership, finances, programming and publicity. Members will also take time to recognize those who have reached the age of 80 and better. The group will also celebrate its 45-year anniversary in the Garden Clubs of Illinois with an official proclamation. For more information, contact Joyce Basel at 630-529-9833.

The Garden Club's September 17 meeting features "Creating Eco-Gardens on Sterile Residential Landscapes" presented by Dennis Paige, Environmental Educator/Interpretive Naturalist. Program begins at 6:30 p.m., at a location to be determined. Paige has successfully utilized native landscaping to create interesting and ecologically sound gardens (including a rain garden) at the Schaumburg Condo Complex in which he resides. This free program will address environmentally friendly natural landscaping. For more information, including location, contact Debbie DeChinisto at 630-351-1010,

EVENTS

November 15, 2008 Marks Carson's Stratford Square Community Day

The "Care to Share Community Day" is a fundraising event for all non-profit and school organizations. Participating organizations sell coupon booklets for \$5.00 each and 100% of the price is retained by the organization. Each booklet contains special savings coupons valid on the Community Day One Day Sale to be held on Saturday, November 15th, 2008 from 6 am to 10 pm. Customers can purchase a Community Day booklet from any participating organization or in the Stratford Carson store preceding the event.

Interested organizations can go to our website at www.communitydayevent.com for information or please contact our store at 630-351-8980.

St. Isidore's 'Trifesta' Weekend Celebration August 15-16

Amusement rides, live stage bands, food vendors, bingo, 5k run/walk, golf outing, a 3 on 3 youth basketball tournament and many more fun activities for the whole family are planned at this year's annual "Trifesta" weekend celebration at Bloomingdale's St. Isidore Catholic Church campus on August 15-16.

"This year's weekend 'Block Party In The Burbs' will be expanded for more entertainment for little children, teenagers, adults and senior citizens," said veteran chairperson Lynne Denemark. "Come one, come all. The public is invited to this festival for all ages with more to do and enjoy than ever before. Trifesta is not just a church event, it's for everyone all over the Chicago area," Denemark said.

Trifesta begins on Friday, August 15 from 3 to 11 p.m. with over two dozen amusements, rides and arcade games provided by Alpine Amusements. Affordable food vendors and St. Isidore groups will provide plenty of food, snacks and drink, while a variety of live entertainment is provided at two separate stages over the two days.

Other attractions include Bingo and pull tabs, a "Kids Workshop" sponsored by Home Depot with free fun activities, micro-reality stock car racing, a Battle of the Bands and a kids' Cyclones 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament. In addition, the Cassidy Tire Golf Outing and a 5k run/walk called "The Race To Grace" are slated for Saturday morning. An outdoor Mass will be celebrated on the main stage at 5 p.m. Saturday afternoon.

Proceeds from Trifesta will benefit St. Isidore's Education Endowment Fund and the St. Isidore Future Fund. The church's large campus is located at the corner of Army Trail

Road and Gary Avenue.

For information on all the events check out the website at www.stisidoreparish.org or by calling the parish office at (630)529-3045.

Online registration is available for the golf outing, 5k run/walk, 3 on 3 basketball tournament and to purchase Mega Raffle tickets.

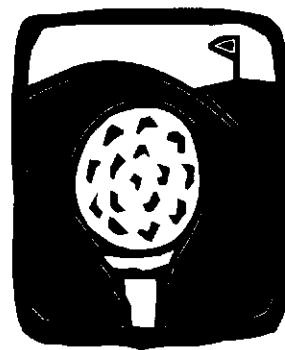


Wanna Golf?

The Bloomingdale Lions Club hosts its annual golf outing on Friday August 1 at Bloomingdale Golf Club. Lunch is at noon, followed by a 1 p.m. shotgun start. The \$100 ticket also includes a chance at the "Hole in One" car sponsored by Friendly Ford of Roselle, prizes and a terrific dinner. For tickets or more information, contact Mark Bousquet at 630-267-9380.

As always, it is a great time for a great cause. The Bloomingdale Lions Club is very generous to both the visually and hearing impaired and to the Bloomingdale community.

The Bloomingdale Chamber of Commerce hosts its Annual Golf Classic 2008 on Tuesday, August 12 at Hilton Indian Lakes Resort. The day includes lunch, a noon shotgun start (best ball), dinner and more. Check the website www.bloomingdalechamber.com or call the chamber office at 630-980-9082 for more information or to register.



Bloomington Blast Black Team Invited to National Competition

The 14U Bloomington Blast Black is a travel Fast Pitch softball team associated with the Bloomington Baseball and Softball Association (BBSA). They recently qualified and accepted a bid to the NSA Nationals which was held at the end of July in Peoria, IL. This has been a good season for the close knit team.

Members are (front row, l to r) Nikki Bloch, Isa Tangorra, Tara Palandri, Dianne Denson, Rachel Weslo. Also (back row, l to r) Stephanie Aronson, Jenna Marie Gornick, Hannah Hoffmann, Lisa Baumgart, Kelly Davies, Hannah Wilson, Breanna Burden and Sammy Vega. Also pictured behind the girls are coaches: Dave Hoffmann, Mike Aronson. John Wilson (Manager) and Matt Bloch.



Bill Wolff Honored by Illinois VFW

Congratulations are in order for resident Bill Wolff as he was just elected Junior Vice Commander Dept of the Illinois VFW of the US at the Illinois VFW Convention held in Springfield at the end of June. A very active member of Bloomington VFW Post 7539, Wolff will represent the Illinois VFW at events and festivities throughout the state. Among his many affiliations, Wolff is a retired Bloomington assistant fire chief, serves as a District Trustee for the Bloomington Fire Protection District 1 and is currently the chairman of the Bloomington Septemberfest Commission.

Senior Spells "Stroganoff" to Win Spelling Bee

Ten area seniors (age 50 and over) participated in the qualifying round of the 2008 Illinois State Senior Spelling Bee held on June 10 at Bloomington Horizon Independent Senior Living Community. Denise Woodward, a 56-year-old from northwest suburban Palatine, won the qualifying round at Bloomington Horizon in the 56th round after correctly spelling the word "stroganoff." The finals will be held during the Illinois State Fair on "Senior Day" Monday, August 11.

Bloomington Horizon Senior Living Community residents Janet Jacob, left, and Geri Catalano, right, recently participated in the qualifying round of the Illinois State Senior Spelling Bee. The spellers were joined by their home's Property Manager, Ellen Currie, who helped organize the event at the independent senior living community, is located at 160 W. Lake St. in Bloomington.



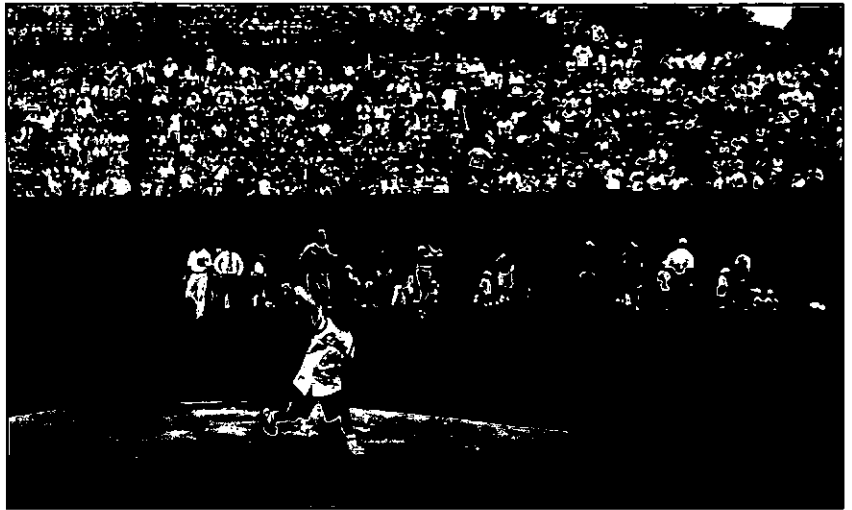
Play Ball!!

Five-year old Daniel Alarcon, a Bloomingdale Park District's t-ball player, was selected to throw out the first pitch at the Thursday, July 10, Chicago Cubs game. This was a once-in-a-life opportunity for Daniel – a true-blue Cubs fan.

This opportunity also had special meaning for Daniel because his step-father serving overseas was able to see the televised game. Daniel's step-father, 26-year-old Private First Class

Christopher Raya, has been serving in the Army since April 2007 and has been stationed in Sadir City, Iraq since October 2007.

This occasion was made possible by the Illinois Park and Recreation Association which has been hosting group outings with the Chicago Cubs since the mid-1980s. Daniel Alarcon was chosen randomly by the Bloomingdale Park District for this honor. Not only did Daniel get to throw out the first pitch at the game, but t-ball teams from seven area park districts were also given the chance to play t-ball in the Wrigley Field outfield before the start of the game. The Illinois Park and Recreation Association began this outing as a means to give young kids the experience of playing on a major league ball field, as well as raise awareness of parks and recreation in Illinois.



Bloomingdale Park District Names New Director

Last month, the Bloomingdale Park District welcomed a dynamic park and recreation administrator with extensive programming experience to serve as its new executive director. Carrie Ann Hauptert, a Certified Park and Recreation Professional (CPRP) was named to fill the position held by Steve Scholten for over 16 years.

Hauptert came to Bloomingdale from the Village of Hinsdale, where she was the director of parks and recreation. Under her leadership, the park and recreation department experienced unprecedented growth, emphasized community outreach and generated greater exposure for all Village areas to increase agency revenues.

Bloomingdale Park Board President Mike Vogl noted, "Carrie has the experience, professional expertise, and enthusiasm to build on the park district's foundation and lead us to leverage our strengths and enhance our community collaborations."

Hauptert says she is already impressed with what she knows about Bloomingdale Park District and the community. She is anxious to get to know her staff and become acquainted with the community they serve. The Park District will be hosting a public event inviting everyone in the community to come out and meet the new director in the coming weeks.

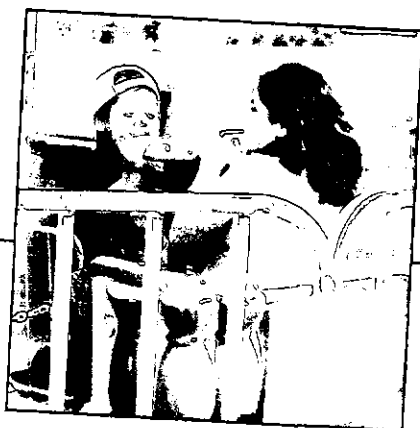
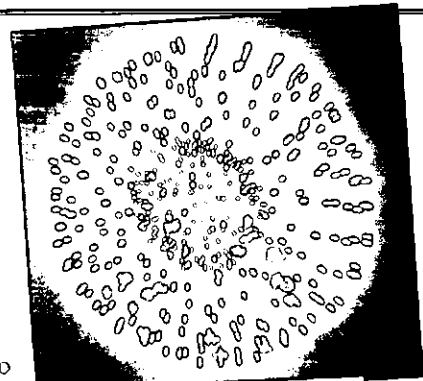


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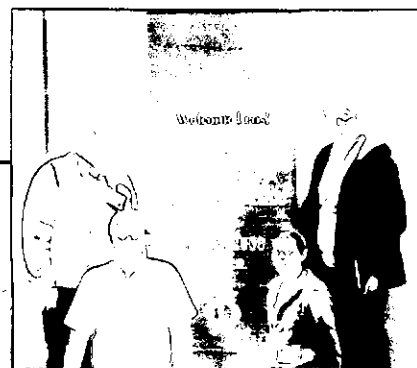
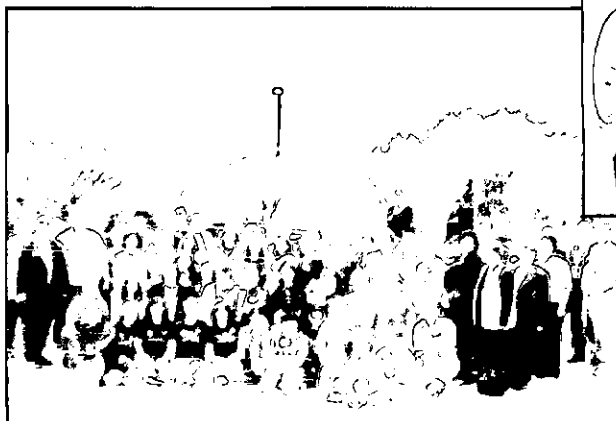
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Leos Shine at Banquet

The 1st Illinois Leo conference was held at the Medinah Banquet facility in Addison in May. There were 50 Leos and 34 Lions present. The following 12 Leo Clubs attended:

Bartlett Leo Club
Bradley Leo Club
Bloomingdale Westfield Leo Club
Bridgeview Leo Club
Elmhurst Noon Leo Club
Geneva Leo Club
Glendale Heights Barangay Leo Club
New Lenox Leo Club
South Elgin Leo Club
Spring Valley Leo Club
Triad Community Leo Club
Westview Hills Leo Club

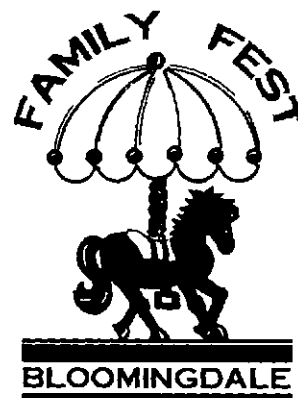


Pictured are those who attended the conference. Bloomingdale Lion Jerry Bertrand with Bloomingdale Westfield Leos – standing Chris Necka (r), kneeling Alex Fuchs (l) and Kaitlyn Szabo.

An Open Letter of Thanks

Family Fest was held on June 26, 27, 28 and 29. The event was a great success, and this was due to the planning, cooperation, and hard work of a number of individuals who deserve special recognition for their almost year around work on planning this event. We would like to thank the following individuals who served on this year's Family Fest Committee:

Milton Clark
Julie Deeke
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Sandy Raucci, Recording Secretary
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Asst. Chief Nels Olson, Fire Department Liaison
Deputy Chief Michael McNamara, Fire Department Liaison
Barb Weber, Village Liaison



In addition we would like to acknowledge and thank the following departments for their great cooperation, hard work, and support throughout the Fest:

- Chief Dave Christensen, Deputy Chief Michael McNamara, and the entire staff of the Bloomington Fire Department.
- Chief Tim Goergen, Sgt. Jackie Slater, Det. Tim Roberts, and the entire staff of the Bloomington Police Department.
- Assistant Director of Village Services Jim Monkemeyer, Ed Lewen, and the entire staff of the Bloomington Public Works Department.

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

Joyce Roteman, Sandy Dauber, Rita Scorzo, Paul Gendusa, Saumin Shah, Crystal Kosmas, Justin Kuhn, Rachel Egel, Linda Szramiak, Anna Wilmes, Amye Wilmes, Julie Keating, Tony Scorzo, Umi Syeda, Bob Przyborowski, Bonni Rothbaum, Kaushik Shah, Kiran Shah, Keri Winkowski, Patricia Horak, Dave Strutzel, and Sam D'Amico.

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

- The Board and staff of the Bloomington Park District for the use of the land and sponsoring tumbling activities in the Family Fun Activity Tent.
- Village of Bloomington and the Bloomington Park District for the spectacular fireworks display.
- Village officials for their support.
- Staff of the Village Hall.
- The Board and staff of the Bloomington Public Library for their cooperation and assistance.
- Antonio Kapsouris and the staff of La Campana Restaurant, as the Fest beer vendor.
- All food vendors, business tent vendors and sponsors.

In closing, we hope everyone who attended Family Fest had a great time. We're looking forward to seeing each and every one of you at Family Fest 2009!

Tim Jarzemsky
Family Fest Co-Chair

Kandice Krettler
Family Fest Co-Chair



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Coping with Heat Emergencies

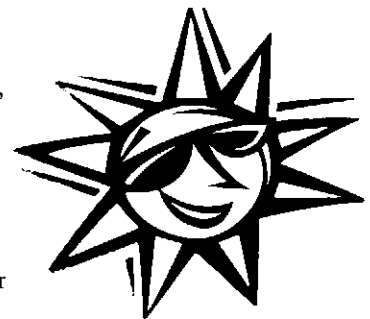
The body works most effectively within a very narrow range of temperatures. High temperatures cause the body to react by increasing its metabolic rate. It also causes the body to lose fluids through perspiration and the dilation of blood vessels in an attempt to cool the body. Infants and young children, the elderly, amateur athletes, and outdoor workers are more susceptible to these emergencies. Medical emergencies associated with heat exposure include: heat cramps, heat exhaustion, and heat stroke.

- **Heat Cramps:** A person may experience cramps, especially in the large muscles, after strenuous exercise. Move the person to a cool place and remove excess clothing. Do NOT massage cramped muscles. You may give electrolyte-containing solutions such as: Gatorade, All Sport, etc., if it is available.
- **Heat Exhaustion:** The person will be sweating, have moist clammy skin, might be nauseous, and possibly vomiting. They might have a slightly elevated temperature, with a headache and mental confusion. For treatment, move the person to a cool place and cool them by removing as much clothing as possible and applying cool moist cloths. You may give something to drink if the person is alert and not nauseous. Stop cooling the person if goose bumps or shivers develop. If the person's medical condition doesn't improve, call for medical assistance.
- **Heat Stroke:** This is the most serious of the heat-related emergencies. The person will have an elevated temperature (greater than 105 degrees), hot dry skin, and appear confused. This is a true emergency. Call for medical assistance immediately. While waiting, move the person to a cool place and begin rapid cooling.

Remove as much clothing as possible and apply cold compresses to the chest, groin, armpits, neck, temples, and behind knees.

Sponge or mist with cool water and fan, or cover the body with a wet sheet and fan. Do not give this person anything to drink.

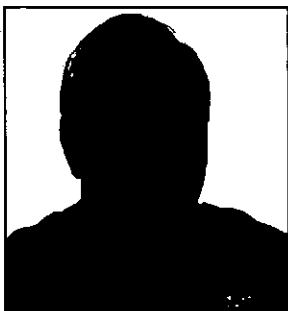
Do not give them aspirin or other medication to lower their temperature. Do not give either the heat exhaustion or heat stroke person any stimulant, including alcohol or cigarettes.



Certain medications will make an individual more likely to suffer a heat emergency. These include; antihistamines, beta-blockers, antihypertensives, tranquilizers, antidepressants, antipsychotics, MAO inhibitors, alcohol, amphetamines, and diuretics.

Heat Emergency Sites are available for seniors throughout DuPage County. They include the DuPage County Administrative Offices (M-F 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.), libraries, city halls, township offices, senior centers, park districts, malls, and P.A.D.S. (Daysite 630-682-3846). Check your local telephone directories for numbers. Please call ahead for availability. For cooling sites and heat-related information in DuPage County call the Heat Hotline 1-800-942-9412, TDD/TTY (630) 407-6502, hours 8:00 - 4:30. If there is an emergency, please call 911.

For more information about heat emergencies or other safety information, please contact Lieutenant Richard Kurka at 630-894-9080.



Farewell and Best Wishes to 30 Year Veteran Jim Kesick

The Bloomington Fire Protection District is proud to announce the retirement of Firefighter/ EMT Jim Kesick after 30 years of service to the community. Jim started with the district August 1, 1978 working as a firefighter, paramedic, and as an Acting Lieutenant for several years.

We will miss his expertise and wish him many summers on the lake relaxing with his family.



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THE HIGH STRUNG

Outdoor Rock Concert

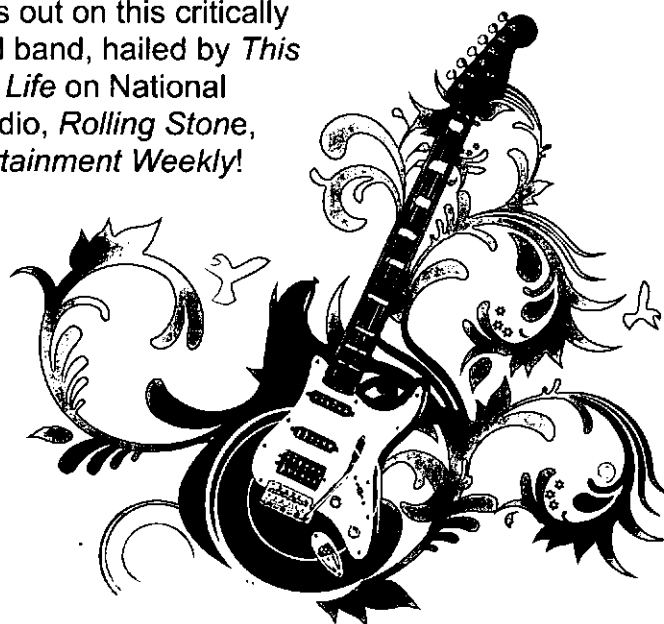
Friday, August 8 - 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Spend a summer night enjoying the quirky, carefree, all ages music of The High Strung!

Known for their rousing Beatles-like jams, The High Strung will perform a full set and follow up by writing an improvisational song with the audience's help.

Audience members will also have a chance to ask the band about fortune, fame, and music during the band's Q&A session.

Don't miss out on this critically acclaimed band, hailed by *This American Life* on National Public Radio, *Rolling Stone*, and *Entertainment Weekly*!



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Youth Services Programs

Please register for the following programs at the Youth Services Reference Desk, or by telephoning (630) 924-2740. Registration is open to Bloomington cardholders only. Please have your card available when you register.

Mom and Me Crafts (Ages 3 - 5 with adult)

Wednesday, September 3

1:30 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.

Registration is required.

Come enjoy time together while storytimes are on a break. Mom and Me Crafts will expand imaginations young and old!

Library Capers (Grades 1-5)

Thursday, September 18

4:15 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Registration is required.

Come enjoy hilarious stories, unbelievable activities, and take a turn with the spinner of silliness! Also, if you can make the storyteller say the secret word, everyone will get a treat!

Saturday Morning Special (Ages 3 - 5)

Saturday, September 27

10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Registration is required

Join us for this very special presentation of a skit, *Little Onion's Three Wishes*, written and presented by the DuPage Helping Hands 4-H Club. Following the play, the actresses will be available to read books, one-on-one, to members of the audience. Refreshments will be served, and each child who attends the program will receive a free finger puppet.

Read for the Record with *Corduroy* (Families)

Thursday, October 2

1:30 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.

Registration is required.

Join us as we celebrate the book *Corduroy* by Don Freeman with the rest of the world and try to set a new world record. We will also have rhymes, songs, and a craft!

Telling Tales With Yoga (Ages 3 through grade K)

Thursdays, September 25-October 30

10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Registration is not required.

Join us in this delightful program where children will learn some yoga poses and have fun with related stories and activities.



STORYTIMES

Programs for children ages three months through five years.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION/ REQUIREMENTS FOR FALL STORYTIME PROGRAMS

Romper Rhymes, Budding Readers, Time for 2's, Preschool Storytimes, and Primary Connections require registration and siblings outside of the designated age ranges may not attend these programs. Please register for these programs at the Youth Services Reference Desk, or by telephoning (630) 924-2740. Please have your library card when you register.

Registration for these programs is limited to Bloomington cardholders. We regret that we cannot accommodate non-resident attendance at all programs.

Bedtime Stories, Family Storytimes, and Telling Tales with Yoga will be drop-in, with no registration required.

Fall Programming begins the week of September 22.

Fall Programming ends the week of October 27.

ROMPER RHYMES (3 months - 15 months)

Tuesdays, September 23—October 28

9:45 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Registration is required.

Romper Rhymes is a language-enrichment program in which nursery rhymes, songs and fingerplays are shared with babies and their parents or caregivers. Please bring only the child who is registered for the program.

BUDDING READERS (16 months - 23 months)

Tuesdays, September 23—October 28

11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Registration is required.

Budding Readers is designed to prepare toddlers and their parents or caregivers for Time for 2's storytime. The program includes stories and nursery rhymes, fingerplays, flannel board stories, and music. Please bring only the child registered for the program.



Youth Services Programs

TIME FOR 2's (24 months - 35 months)

Mondays, September 22—October 27

10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Registration is required.

Time for 2's is designed to have parents or caregivers interact with their two-year-olds to help them develop listening skills. The program includes interactive stories, flannel board stories, fingerplays, and music. Please bring only the child who is registered for the program.

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME (Ages 3 - 5)

Wednesdays, September 24—October 29

1:30 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.

Registration is required.

Help your child get ready for school with Preschool Storytime! This program includes stories, rhymes, and music. Parents/caregivers and siblings are asked to remain outside the program area during the storytime.

KIDVISORY

Are you a kid who likes to read? Do you like to *talk* about the books you read? Do you love it when you tell someone about a great book and they can't read it fast enough? Well, the Youth Services Department has a brand-new way for younger readers to share their opinions about the books they read: Kidvisory.

We call our young readers' advisors Kidvisors, and the program is open to kids in (or entering) grades 2 through 6. A Kidvisor's job is to help other kids find books that they might like because a kid *just like them* enjoyed it.

It's simple: Read a book, get a Kidvisory recommendation form at the Youth Services desk, fill it out, and bring it back. We'll post all recommendations for everyone to "check out" in Youth Services. We'll also keep track of what titles the Kidvisors tell us about, and at the end of the school year, we'll tally up titles read and announce the favorites. Imagine—everyone wants to read a book just because a *kid* said it was good...wow! How important can a kid get? For each form that you turn in, your name will be entered in a contest. In May, a name will be drawn, and the lucky winner will receive a Barnes and Noble gift card.

PRIMARY CONNECTIONS

(Grades K - 1)

Mondays, September 22—October 27

4:15 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Registration is required.



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

FAMILY STORYTIME (All ages)

Fridays, September 26—October 31

10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Registration is not required.

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

BEDTIME STORIES (All ages)

Tuesdays, September 23—October 28

7:00 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

Registration is not required.

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

VOLUNTEER

Grades 7-12

Are you a student in grades 7-12? Are you looking for a fun way to get job experience, earn service hours, or make a difference in the community? If so, the Bloomington Public Library VolunTEENs program is looking for you! You'll work 2-4 hours per month with the Bloomington Library's Youth Service staff preparing crafts, keeping the library tidy, and helping with special projects. If you are interested in being a VolunTEEN during the fall semester, please contact Tiffany Torbeck, VolunTEEN Coordinator, at 630-924-2745 or email ttorbeck@mybpl.org to schedule a time for a short interview. Applications will be available August 4th and no applications will be accepted after September 12th. There are a limited number of positions available, so stop by or call today!

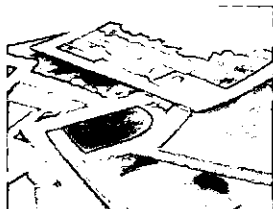




Adult Services Programs

ResearchYour Roots @ the Library

Are you curious about your roots? Genealogists will tell you that the best place to start is by talking to your relatives. But you may find that there are some gaps in your family tree. The Library has the resources you need to work on your family history.



Census records are a very valuable resource in conducting family research. We subscribe to an online resource, *Ancestry.com*, that provides digitized images of the U.S. Federal Census from 1790 - 1930, the American Genealogical Biographical Index, Passenger and Immigration Lists, and many other genealogical databases at the click of a mouse.

World Vital Records is a collection of genealogy databases that can be searched simultaneously. There are more than 3,000 databases containing more than half a billion online names and records. You may find hidden treasure where you least expect it.

Heritage Quest, another genealogy resource we offer, allows you to search contents of books and articles to find information on people and places described in family and local histories. This database is also available to you from home through our web page, www.mybpl.org.

If you are interested in networking with other genealogy buffs, plan on attending our Genealogy Club that meets on the fourth Thursday of the month - except in November and December - from 6:30 until 8:45p.m. Participants share search strategies and explore library resources with expert guidance from Leslie Drewitz from our Local History Department.

Library Tour and Orientation

Saturday, August 2 at 10:00 a.m.

Saturday, September 6 at 10:00 a.m.

Would you like to become more familiar with the library's resources? Sign up for one of our library orientations, and join a reference librarian as we give a short overview of all the library has to offer. We will show you where various items are located, and tell you about the services we offer, so you can get the most out of your library. This program is perfect for new residents, but everyone is invited to attend and find out more about the library! Call the Reference Desk at (630) 924-2730 to make your reservation.

Thanks to Our Sponsors

Our summer reading program, Get in the Game, READ! was a great success, thanks to the generosity of our donors. The Library would like to thank the following merchants and organizations for their contributions to the Summer Reading Program.

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Illinois Railway Museum
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Kuipers' Family Farm
Lou Malnati's Pizzeria
Mandarin Bistro
Marcus Cinema Addison
Morton Arboretum
Museum of Science and Industry
Panera Bread
Platt Hill Nursery
Pronto's
Ristorante Amalfi
Rooster's Barn & Grill
Sbarro Pizza
Steak 'n Shake
Superstar Karate
TGI Friday's
The Hancock Observatory

The Hidden Web

Students of all ages are invited to sign up for a one hour appointment at your convenience to learn how to use the library's on-line resources. Whether you are in middle school, high school, college, or grad school, you will benefit by learning about how to use



our web site to find full-text articles and online reference books that aren't available on the open web. Call Julie Keating at (630) 924-2733 to set up an appointment. Your investment of an hour will pay off in better grades! Individuals or groups are welcome to sign up.

Library Holiday Hours

Saturday, August 30	9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Sunday, August 31	CLOSED
Monday, September 1	CLOSED

Sunday hours will resume on September 7, 2008 from 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.



Adult Services Programs

Book Group Kits

Do you belong to a book group? The Library has book discussion kits available to check out. The kit includes multiple copies of a book title, discussion questions, and author information. The Library owns the following sets of books: (number of copies in parentheses)

Binchy, Maeve. *Evening Class*. (8)
 Campbell, Bebe Moore. *Brothers and Sisters*. (8)
 Filipovic, Zlata. *Zlata's Diary*. (8)
 Golden, Arthur. *Memoirs of a Geisha*. (10)
 Guterson, David. *Snow Falling On Cedars*. (8)
 Haruf, Kent. *Plainsong*. (11)
 Hornby, Nick. *About a Boy*. (12)
 Hosseini, Khaled. *The Kite Runner*. (10)
 Irving, John. *The Cider House Rules*. (8)
 Kidder, Tracy. *Old Friends*. (8)
 Kingsolver, Barbara. *Poisonwood Bible*. (16)
 Larson, Eric. *The Devil in the White City*. (6)
 Lee, Harper. *To Kill a Mockingbird*. (7)
 Mitchard, Jacquelyn. *The Deep End of the Ocean*. (8)
 Prejean, Sister Helen. *Dead Man Walking*. (8)
 Proulx, E. Annie. *The Shipping News*. (9)
 Quindlen Anna. *One True Thing*. (8)
 Santiago, Esmerelda. *When I was Puerto Rican*. (8)
 Shield, Carol. *The Stone Diaries*. (8)
 Tan, Amy. *The Bonesetter's Daughter*. (8)
 Thayer Cynthia. *A Certain Slant of Light*. (2)
 Tyler, Anne. *Ladder of Years*. (8)
 Yen Mah, Adeline. *Falling Leaves*. (8)

Call the Reference Desk at (630) 924-2730 to reserve your set of books. If your book discussion group is interested in learning how to find reviews and background information about the books you read, or needs help finding good titles to read, call Julie Keating at (630) 924-2733 to schedule a one hour overview of the Library's online and print resources that will enrich your discussions. Individuals or groups are welcome to sign up!



Adult Book Groups

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP NEWS

We have a book group to satisfy almost any reading taste! Our book groups always welcome new members. Books are available approximately one month in advance at the Circulation Desk. If you have any questions, please call the Reference Desk at (630) 924-2730.

Adult Book Group

Wednesday, August 20 at 10:00 a.m.
 and Thursday, August 21 at 7:30 p.m.

The Killing Jar

By Nicola Monaghan

Wednesday, September 17 at
 10:00 a.m. and Thursday,
 September 18 at 7:30 p.m.

Snow Flower and the Secret Fan
 by Lisa See

Historical Book Group

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

Aug. 5, 2008

*Nobody's Horses: The Dramatic
 Rescue of the Wild Herd of White
 Sands*

by Don Hoglund

Sept. 2, 2008

*A Chicago Tavern: a Goat, a Curse,
 and the American Dream*

by Rick Kogan

Mystery Mavens

Wednesday, September 17

Christine Falls

by Benjamin Black

NewE-Newsletter

You can now easily keep up to date with what is happening at the Library by signing up for our new e-newsletter. We will send you a monthly newsletter via email that lists all the library events for the month, and features articles about library resources.

Look for the link on our web page, www.mybpl.org. Subscribe today!

Friends of the Library Sidewalk Sale

The Friends of the Library Book Sale will be held on Saturday, September 20, 2008 from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. The sale will include thousands of books including the nicest copies of recent withdrawals and donated materials. In case of inclement weather, the sale will be held in the library on the lower level meeting rooms.

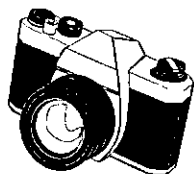




Adult Services Programs

Hat and Coat: Reflections of a Photojournalist

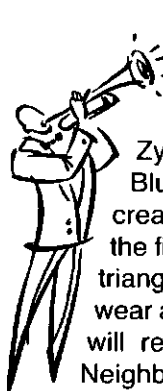
Tuesday, August 12
6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.



Jerry Tomaselli, an award-winning Chicago news photographer for the *Chicago Sun-Times* and the *Chicago Tribune*, will share his experiences grabbing his "hat and coat" and heading to the scene of a breaking story. From sports to politics to disasters, Tomaselli has shot it all during his 35 year career in Chicago. Join us for a slideshow presentation of his works and remember some of the historic moments in Chicago history. Please register in person or call the Adult Reference Desk at (630) 924-2730.

Gazebo Concert Featuring The Midway Ramblers

Friday, August 15
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.



Join us for an outdoor concert at noon featuring The Midway Ramblers — a Cajun, Zydeco, and Louisiana Blues band! This group creates their sound using the fiddle, button accordion, triangle, and rubboard. If you wear a Mardi Gras mask, you will receive a free gift. Old Neighborhood Hot Dogs will be selling hot dogs and chips, and the Friends of the Library will be selling pop, water, and ice cream novelties. Hope to see you there!

Getting Started in Genealogy

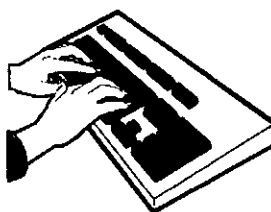
Monday, August 18
6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Learn how to get started researching your family history in this introduction to genealogy. Genealogy expert, Jeff Bockman, will discuss the basic genealogy forms and review a variety of sources that can be used to begin recording a family history. You will learn about ancestor charts, family group sheets, individual data sheets, and how to make use of vital records and family letters. Please register in person or call the Adult Reference Desk at (630) 924-2730.

Social Security Services Online

Tuesday, August 19
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Have you heard about all of the social security services that are available online at www.socialsecurity.gov? A social security representative will show you how to apply for retirement, spouse benefits, or disability benefits on your home computer. Learn about online benefit calculators that allow you to estimate your future benefit. The representative will also show you how to get social security information in 15 languages at the Multilanguage Gateway. Please register in person or call the Adult Reference Desk at (630) 924-2730.



Organizing Your Home Based Business

Tuesday, September 16
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

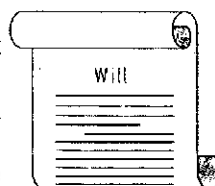
This presentation is for people who currently run a business out of their home or are considering it. It will cover basic organizing techniques to keep

your business and your household running smoothly. Come to the seminar to discover ways to reduce stress and increase the productivity of your home-based business. Please register in person or call the Adult Reference Desk at (630) 924-2730.

Wills and Trusts Seminar

Tuesday, September 23
6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

At this seminar, you will learn about the basic differences between a will and a trust. You will receive valuable information to help you plan your estate and avoid pitfalls that may cost you money. If you have a will or trust, it is always a good idea to review it from time to time. By attending this seminar given by estate lawyer John Pankau, you will receive information on the latest changes in state and federal laws that might affect your current estate plan. Please register in person or call the Adult Reference Desk at (630) 924-2730.

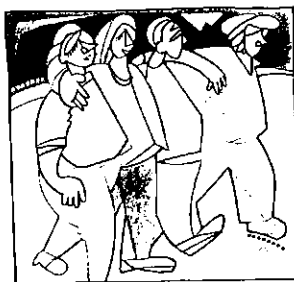


Your Medical History Matters

Tuesday, September 30
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Did you know the single best predictor of future health is your family history? Join Karen Giammicchio, director of Alexian Brothers Corporate Wellness, as she discusses the importance of family health history in disease prevention and early detection. Learn about the free assessment that is available to help you protect your family's future by documenting your health history. Please register in person or call the Adult Reference Desk at (630) 924-2730.





Young Adult Spot

Open to Teens 7th–12th grades only

The High Strung – Outdoor Rock Concert

All ages welcome!

Friday, August 8

6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Spend a summer night enjoying the quirky, carefree, all ages music of The High Strung! Known for their rousing Beatles-like jams, The High Strung will perform a full set and follow up by writing an improvisational song with the audience's help. Audience members will also have a chance to ask the band about fortune, fame, and music during the band's Q&A session. Don't miss out on this critically acclaimed band, hailed by This American Life on National Public Radio, Rolling Stone, and Entertainment Weekly!

Breaking Dawn Release Party

Friday, August 1

2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Registration limit: 50

Celebrate the final chapter in the Twilight saga! Join fellow Twilighers for snacks, trivia, games, and a chance to win free copies of *Breaking Dawn*. All partygoers will receive a Team Edward, Jacob, Switzerland, or Bella button just for attending! Twilighers are welcome to come in costume as their favorite character. Register at the Reference Desk or by phone at (630) 924-2730. Winners of *Breaking Dawn* can pick up their copy from the library on Saturday, August 2.

Teen Game Night

Thursday, August 14 and

Thursday, September 11

6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Show off your skills in Rock Band, compete against opponents in Super Smash Bros. Brawl, or race against friends in Mario Kart Wii! Bring your friends and enjoy free food. Registration not necessary, just stop on by!

Fear Factor Food Challenge

Wednesday, August 20

7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Registration limit: 20

Think your stomach can handle the grossest, weirdest foods? Then test out your taste buds in the Library's Fear Factor Food Challenge! You'll have the chance to win prizes and enjoy some tasty snacks after the Challenge. Not ready to take on awful food? Then join us as an audience member to cheer on the brave (and crazy!) challengers.

All challengers must have a parent fill out a permission slip to enter. Pick one up at the Library's website, the Reference Desk, or the YA Spot. Please turn in permission forms at the Reference Desk to register.

Anime Club

Wednesday, August 27 and

Wednesday, September 24

6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Watch anime on the library's big screen! Help plan new anime and manga events, suggest new anime to watch, and eat some great snacks. Registration not necessary!

Teen Advisory Group (TAG)

Are you a teen with great ideas for the library, but don't know where to start? Do you wish the library had gaming tournaments or would purchase a popular new series? Then check out the library's Teen Advisory Group! If you're in 7th–12th grade, you can earn volunteer hours through projects such as suggesting purchases or planning teen programs. To join the group, please fill out a sign-up form, available at the Reference Desk, the YA Spot, or online in the "Teens – What's Happening" section of the library website. Please turn in completed forms to the Reference Desk.

Unmask the Celebrities Contest: Take Two

Entire month of September

Stop by the library's YA Spot for another chance to guess the celebrities hidden behind masks. You'll get a mini candy bar just for guessing! The teen with the most correct answers will receive a gift card. In the event of multiple correct entries, winner will be randomly chosen from all correct entries. Winner will be notified November 1.

Anime Marathon

Saturday, September 6

11:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Registration limit: 25

Get ready for the Library's second five hour anime marathon! Enjoy free pizza and Pocky while watching anime films and series. Please register at the Reference Desk or by phone at (630) 924-2730.

Make Your Own Custom Buttons

Wednesday, September 17

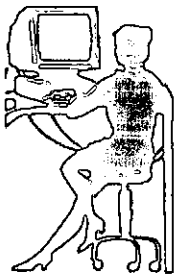
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Registration limit: 15

Customize buttons for your bags, belts, and clothes using pictures from your favorite TV shows, movies, musicians, or anime. Bring your own pictures, draw your own designs, or cut out pictures from magazines. Buttons will be 2 ¼ inches round. Register at the Reference Desk or by phone at (630) 924-2730.



COMPUTER CLASSES



Computer class registration will begin on Monday, August 4, 2008 in the Business Office of the Library. A \$10.00 refundable deposit per class is required upon registration (cash or

checks only) to hold your space for the class. There is no charge for the classes aside from the \$10.00 refundable deposit per class. We regret we are unable to register patrons over the telephone. A 24 hour cancellation notice prior to the start of the class is required in order to receive a refund of the \$10.00 deposit. Please contact a staff member in the Business Office at (630) 924-2720 if you have any additional questions about registering for computer classes.

Beginner's Computer Course

Date: Monday, August 18
Tuesday, August 19
Monday, August 25
Tuesday, August 26

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

Instructor: Sean

Our four session course has been redesigned to better focus on topics useful to beginning computer users. This course should provide a solid base for students to get started using and enjoying computers. General computer knowledge, word processing, Internet, and Email will be covered.

Using PowerPoint

Date: Thursday, August 21
Time: 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Chris

PowerPoint can be used to create slides, overheads, audience handouts or on-screen presentations. This class will cover the basics of creating and organizing a presentation. Having taken Introduction to Microsoft Word, or equivalent experience is recommended.

Introduction to Excel

Date: Wednesday, September 3
Time: 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Sean

This class will cover the basic skills involved in creating, editing, and formatting spreadsheets. More advanced topics such as sorting, functions, and filtering will also be covered.

Digital Cameras

Date: Tuesday, September 9
Time: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Instructor: Chris

This class will give students a clearer understanding of the terms, features, and reviews associated with digital cameras as well as thoroughly covering taking, transferring, and printing pictures. Students are welcome to bring their own cameras to class to personalize the lessons learned.



Intermediate Excel

Date: Wednesday, September 10
Time: 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Sean

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

Using Power Point 2

Date: Thursday, September 11
Time: 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Chris

Extending on the basic skills learned in Using Power Point, this class will teach students to make their slide shows more dynamic and complex. Going beyond the presets and designing your own slides, creating slide transitions, sounds, animations, and slide show options will all be covered.

Image Editing

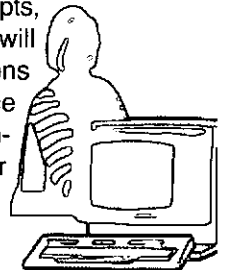
Date: Monday, September 15
Time: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Instructor: Chris

Want to put the finishing touches on your pictures? Learn easy ways to spruce up your photos using common programs.

Excel Formulas

Date: Wednesday, September 24
Time: 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Sean

This class will focus on all aspects of creating formulas in Excel, from the basic techniques used and common pitfalls to more advanced ideas involving conditional formulas and linking. Participants are expected to be comfortable with basic Excel concepts, but much of the class will be allotted for questions and in-class practice drills. Having taken Introduction to Excel, or equivalent experience, is recommended.



Upcoming

Ice Cream Social

Thursday, August 7
from 5:00 - 9:00 p.m.

The High Strung Outdoor Rock Concert

Friday, August 8
From 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Tickets for Breakfast/Brunch with Santa and Polar Express

will go on sale at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 11, 2008. Please note: Polar Express tickets will be limited to six per family and are only available to Bloomington residents with a valid photo ID. More details will be available in the next issue of the Village Almanac.



CALLING ALL SPORTS FANS... COME JOIN THE TEAM!

Please join us at the
20th Annual Ice Cream Social,
celebrating the end of the
summer reading program,
Get in the game, READ!

Thursday, August 7, 2008
from 5:30 - 9:00 p.m.

This event will be held at the
Bloomingdale Public Library
101 Fairfield Way in Bloomingdale.

Free rides, face painting, music, and games!
Including special exhibits by the
Bloomingdale Fire & Police Departments!

Refreshments will be sold by Pronto's,
Old Neighborhood Hot Dogs and the Friends
of the Library. Item for sale will include ice cream
sundaes, pop, pizza, hot dogs, and popcorn.

Parking note:
Overflow parking for this event
will be at the Village Hall and Starck & Co.
Realtors at 181 S. Bloomingdale Road.

This event is sponsored by:
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For more information,
please call (630) 924-2720.

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BLOOMINGDALE PARK DISTRICT MUSEUM

July 12-August 23, 2008

Opening Reception: Sunday, July 10, 2-4pm

Gallery I

"Women Packing Irons-Quilt Arts from the Chicago School of Fusing"

Admission fees:

Seniors/Children \$2R / \$3NR

Adults \$4R / \$6NR

The Faculty of the Chicago School of Fusing returns with new, exciting art work featuring work by Frieda Anderson, Ann Fahl, Anne Lullie, Emily Parson, Judy Coates Perez, and Laura Wasilowski. Each artist creates original designs from abstract to pictorial using the fine art of fusing as their construction technique. In addition to creating beautiful art quilts and teaching at the Chicago School of Fusing, the faculty participates in challenging sporting events as members of The Iron Maidens Sports Team. Press On Chicago Fuse! Hand dyed fabrics, patterns and books about fusing will be available.

Gallery II

There will be twenty-five quilts in the Quilt National '07 "B" Collection exhibit produced and circulated by the Dairy Barn Southeastern Ohio Cultural Arts Center, located in Athens, Ohio. Included in the touring show are quilts from Kathy Weaver from Highland Park and Barbara Schneider from Woodstock. The innovative art quilts that merge continuing traditions with new ones will delight you. The entire group of participants in the '07 show represents quilt artists from 27 states and 9 foreign countries. Quilt National 2008 books may be purchased. This exhibit is produced and circulated by the Dairy Barn Southeastern Ohio Cultural Arts Center, Athens, Ohio.

Juried Portrait Show

Sept 13 - Oct 18, 2008

Opening Reception:

Friday, September 19, 6-8pm

Galleries I and II

"About Face"-

Multi-Media Art Show

The Bloomington Park District Museum will once again sponsor a juried portrait show with prize and money and ribbons to be presented at the public reception. Stop by to view this popular art exhibit and sale. This is always an inspiring exhibit! (Please call the museum at 630-539-3096 if you wish to receive a prospectus for entering the show.)

ADULT SPORTS

2008 BLOOMINGDALE OLYMPIC GAMES

Senior Swim Races

This challenge will be divided between the men and the women. Participants have the option to race with or without a kickboard. If participants choose to race without a kickboard, they will be required to either swim freestyle or breaststroke. This is a Bloomington Park District Olympic event. Pre-Registration is required. Please bring a water bottle and dress appropriately for the event (gym shoes are required for all events except swimming events). This event is for adults 60 years of age and older.

Location: The Oasis

Instructor: Staff

MIN/MAX: 5/10

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
60+	M	09:30-11:00A	08/11-08/11	FREE	404106-A1

Women's Softball League

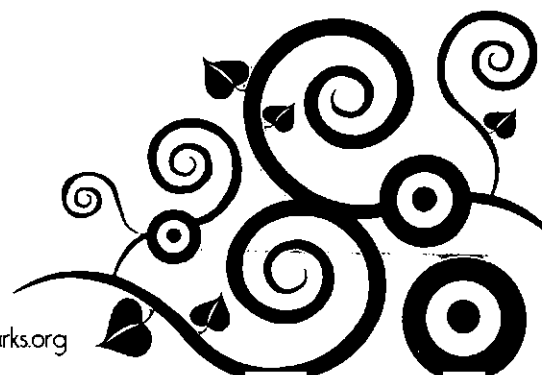
The Bloomington Park District will once again offer the 30 and over league. The league will consist of an approximate 8-10 game schedule. Top rated teams will enter a post-season single-elimination tournament. Priority registration is given to returning teams. New teams may register beginning on July 1. There will be a mandatory captains meeting in August (date will be announced). Included in the \$500.00 registration fee is a \$50.00 forfeit fee that will be refunded at the end of the season if no games are forfeited. Registration Deadline is August 15.

Location: Springfield Park

Instructor: Staff

MIN/MAX: 6/12

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	W,F	06:30-09:30P	08/27-10/29	\$500/550	403313-A1



ADULT PROGRAMS

Kickboxing

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

Location: Westfield Gym
Instructor: Top Fitness Staff

MIN/MAX: 5/20

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	M	07:00-08:00P	09/08-10/20	\$80/110	103501-A1
Adult	W	07:00-08:00P	09/10-10/22	\$80/110	103501-A2
Adult	M,W	07:00-08:00P	09/08-10/22	\$136/176	103501-A3
Adult	M	07:00-08:00P	10/27-12/15	\$80/110	103501-B1
Adult	W	07:00-08:00P	10/29-12/17*	\$80/110	103501-B2
Adult	M,W	07:00-08:00P	10/27-12/17*	\$136/176	103501-B3

*NO CLASS 11/26

Hatha Yoga

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

Location: Aerobics Studio
Instructor: Staff

MIN/MAX: 8/16

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	M	09:30-10:45A	09/08-10/13	\$55/65	103503-A1
Adult	M	07:15-08:30P	09/08-10/13	\$55/65	103503-A2
Adult	W	09:30-10:45A	09/10-10/15	\$55/65	103503-A5
Adult	W	07:15-08:30P	09/10-10/15	\$55/65	103503-A6
Adult	Th	08:00-09:15P	09/11-10/16	\$55/65	103503-A7
Adult	F	09:30-10:45A	09/12-10/17	\$55/65	103503-A8
Adult	M	09:30-10:45A	10/20-11/24	\$55/65	103503-B1
Adult	M	07:15-08:30P	10/20-11/24	\$55/65	103503-B2
Adult	W	09:30-10:45A	10/22-11/26	\$55/65	103503-B5
Adult	W	07:15-08:30P	10/22-11/26	\$55/65	103503-B6
Adult	Th	08:00-09:15P	10/23-11/20	\$47/57	103503-B7
Adult	F	09:30-10:45A	10/24-11/21	\$47/57	103503-B8

Gentle Yoga for Seniors

Enjoy a one-hour class of stretching, strengthening, and relaxing. We will use chairs and blankets for support in many poses. It will improve your posture, increase your mobility, and make you feel great! Yoga mats are provided. DROP IN RATE IS \$8.00 PER CLASS.

Location: Aerobics Studio
Instructor: Beth McCown

MIN/MAX: 8/16

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	M	01:00-02:00P	09/08-10/13	\$47/57	103507-A1
Adult	Tu	11:00-12:00P	09/09-10/14	\$47/57	103507-A2
Adult	Th	09:00-10:00A	09/11-10/16	\$47/57	103507-A3

Zumba

Looking for an exciting and fun way to tone and sculpt your body? Here is your chance! Salsa, cha cha, merengue, hip rolls and shimmies-put it all together with high energy Latin and international music and you've got Zumba! This dance and fitness based workout is fun, effective and easy to follow. It is a "feel-good" workout like no other that is great for the body and mind. Our master instructor will guide you through a series of unique moves and combinations providing you with a dynamic interval style workout. No dance experience is necessary and all fitness levels are welcome. Come join in on the Zumba party! DROP IN RATE IS \$9.00 PER CLASS.

Location: Aerobics Studio
Instructor: Lora Koczur Troesken

MIN/MAX: 5/8

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	Tu	06:00-07:00P	09/09-10/14	\$50/70	103530-A1

Belly Dancing

Belly dancing is a great way to get some exercise. It will help improve your posture, balance, muscle strength and coordination. This class will focus on basic belly dance steps, technique, and movement. No prior experience is required. Please wear exercise type clothing (no jeans or gym shoes please). Belly dancing is fit for all body types as well as personalities. Get ready to have some fun! DROP IN RATE IS \$10 PER CLASS.

Location: Aerobics Studio
Instructor: Mahira

MIN/MAX: 6/20

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	M	06:00-07:00P	09/08-10/13	\$65/85	103532-A1



**Westfield
WALKING TRACK**
BLOOMINGDALE PARK DISTRICT

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

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

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

Seniors receive a 20% discount for signing up for the walking track pass.

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

Hours of Operation
(beginning September 8, 2008)

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



OPEN GYM

JRC Youth Open Gym

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

Westfield Open Gym

The cost of adult open gym is \$4 per visit by residents and \$8 per visit by non-residents. All persons MUST show proof of residency or they will be charged the \$8 rate.

Schedule may change to accommodate Bloomington Park District programs. For more information call 630-529-3650.

Westfield:

Parent & Child Hoops	Saturdays 12:00-1:30pm
Over 40 Basketball	Sundays 8-10am
Adult Rec Basketball	Sundays 10-12:00pm
Adult Rec Basketball	Wednesdays 8-9:45pm
Co-Rec Volleyball	Thursdays 8-9:45pm

Dirty Dancing

Experience the excitement and romance of the classic story as never before-live on stage. It's a timeless story of first love, full of heart-pounding music, pure dance energy, and breath-taking emotion. The hugely anticipated stage show of Dirty Dancing features the tantalizing dance sequences and the hit songs from the best selling movie soundtrack including (I've Had) The Time of My Life, Hungry Eyes, Her Baby, and Do You Love Me?, plus brand new scenes, more sensational dancing and even more classic songs. You'll have "the time of your life!" Price includes front balcony ticket and transportation. Show is held at the Cadillac Palace Theater in Chicago.

Registration deadline is September 10, 2008.

Location: JRC Parking Lot
Instructor: Staff

MIN/MAX: 7/13

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	W	12:00-06:00P	12/03-12/03	\$80/85	103253-A1

ADULT TRIPS

The Boys From Syracuse

Come and spend the day at the Drury Lane Theater in Oak Brook enjoying a wonderful lunch and a show. Set in the frolicking forties, this brand new adaptation by award winning Broadway Director David Bell is a Chicagoland premiere! Relentlessly hilarious, this comedy of errors revolves around the escapades and romantic mix-ups of not one-but two sets of identical twins! This sensational bit of slapstick delights with dazzling swing dancing and a show stopping score. Fee includes the show, lunch, and transportation. Upon registration please indicate your lunch choice of chicken breast Marsala or tilapia.

Registration deadline is August 25, 2008.

Location: JRC Parking Lot
Instructor: Staff

MIN/MAX: 10/10

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	W	10:30-04:30P	09/17-09/17	\$50/55	103250-A1

Hollywood Songbook Show

Sit back and enjoy a delightful and relaxing day of a lunch and a concert of Hollywood's favorites at the Skokie Theatre. Enjoy a delicious lunch buffet at the Village Inn in Skokie which will include an all you can eat House Salad, a delicious variety of pizzas and a beverage. A glass of wine can be made available for an additional amount. Then stroll just one block to the Skokie Theatre for a concert by an incredibly talented seven piece orchestra that's sure to please. Take a trip down memory lane as they play all of your favorite movie themes. Lunch, show, and transportation are included in the fee.

Registration deadline is September 8, 2008.

Location: JRC Parking Lot
Instructor: Staff

MIN/MAX: 12/12

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	W	10:00-04:30P	09/24-09/24	\$43/48	103251-A1

Kitchen Witches

Isobel Lomax and Dolly Biddle are two "mature" cable-access cooking show hostesses who have hated each other for 30 years, ever since Larry Biddle dated one and married the other. When circumstances put them together on a TV show called The Kitchen Witches, the insults are flung harder than the food! Dolly's long-suffering TV producer son Stephen tries to keep them on track, but as long as Dolly's dressing room is one inch closer to the set than Isobel's, it's a losing battle and the show becomes a rating smash as Dolly and Isobel top both Martha Stewart and Jerry Springer! This comedy is a recipe for hilarious fun with a pinch of absurdity, a smidgen of tom-foolery, and a dash of long lasting friendship. The lunch menu includes caesar salad, roast turkey with mashed potatoes, dressing and gravy, green beans and pumpkin pie for dessert. Coffee and tea will be served, and a cash bar is available for other beverages. This show is held at the Milk Pail Productions in Dundee.

Registration deadline is September 24, 2008.

Location: JRC Parking Lot
Instructor: Staff

MIN/MAX: 7/13

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	W	11:00-03:30P	10/29-10/29	\$45/50	103252-A1



**Bloomington
Park District**

2008-2009 PRESCHOOL YEAR



Registration for the 2008-2009 school year is currently being accepted. A \$50.00 non-refundable deposit, the first month's payment, a \$20.00 graduation fee for Pre-K, and a copy of your child's birth certificate are required at the time of registration. Tiny Tot and Pre-K classes begin September 2 and on September 9 for Intro classes. A complete list of program dates will be available in August. Field trips and events may be planned throughout the year at an additional fee. Pre K students will participate in a graduation ceremony in May. Payments are due the first of each month. Late payments will be assessed a \$5.00 fee for each business day past due after the 1st of the month. **All preschool registration must be made in person at the Bloomington Park District at 172 S. Circle Avenue.** Instructors and room locations are subject to change. Registration forms are available online at www.bloomingtonparks.org.

WORLDWIDE DAY OF PLAY

Join us and the entire nation for the Worldwide Day of Play sponsored by Nickelodeon. The Illinois Association of Park Districts is partnering with the American Heart Association to bring attention to childhood obesity. This event promotes active play for kids as well as teaching children the importance of healthy eating. Participants will enjoy our obstacle course, the tumbling play station, games, healthy snacks, and so much more! This program is free but participants still need to register and will receive a ticket. Parents are welcome to stay. Children will receive a certificate and ribbon the day of the event. Registration deadline is September 23.

Location: JRC Gym
Instructor: Staff
MIN/MAX: 20/61

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
5-12	Sa	12:30-02:30P	09/27-09/27	FREE	104308-A1

FLAG FOOTBALL LEAGUE

The flag football program has been designed to introduce your child to the game of football. Players will learn and develop the fundamentals of football, teamwork, and sportsmanship in a non-contact environment. **THE PROGRAM WILL DEPEND ON VOLUNTEER PARENTS.** Practices will be held on weeknights and games will be played on Saturday mornings at Winnebago School. Helmets, uniforms and flags will be provided. Be sure to register early!!! Grade will be determined by the 2008-09 school year.

Location: Springfield Park
Instructor: Volunteer
MIN/MAX: 20/60



Grade	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
K-1	M,Tu,W,Th,Sa	05:00-07:00P	08/25-11/01	\$75/95	502315-B1
2-3	M,Tu,W,Th,Sa	05:00-07:00P	08/25-11/01	\$75/95	502315-B2
4-5	Su,M,Tu,W,Th	05:00-07:00P	08/25-11/01	\$75/95	502315-B3



Do you know how to play chess, what an en passant move is, when the right time to sacrifice your queen is, or have you ever wanted to beat your parents at something? Come join other kids and find the solution to these problems, amongst others, and have a lot of fun too! Our class, taught by a USCF rated player, will consist of one hour of teaching/puzzle solving and head-to-head chess games. Beginners and novices alike will

learn something new or more in depth at each class.

Location: Meacham Room
Instructor: John Suits
MIN/MAX: 8/12

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
7-12	Sa	11:00-12:00P	09/13-10/18	\$40/50	102605-A1
7-12	Sa	11:00-12:00P	11/01-12/13*	\$40/50	102605-A2

*NO CLASS 11/29

Introduction to Guitar

Learn to play the guitar or brush up on basic chords, finger styles, tablature and notation. No experience is necessary. Newcomers and experienced students must provide their own guitar. Electric guitars are welcome.

Location: Meacham Room
Instructor: John Suits
MIN/MAX: 4/5

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
13-Adult	Sa	12:00-01:00P	09/13-10/18	\$80/110	102612-A1
8-12	Sa	01:10-02:00P	09/13-10/18	\$80/110	102612-A2
13-Adult	Sa	12:10-01:00P	11/01-12/13*	\$80/110	102612-A3
8-12	Sa	01:10-02:00P	11/01-12/13*	\$80/110	102612-A4

*NO CLASS 11/29

Kids Curriculum Night

It's Curriculum Night just for kids! Parents can drop their child(ren) off at the JRC while they attend Curriculum Night at DuJardin School or Erickson School. Kids Curriculum Night will be all play and no work! The evening will feature age appropriate activities, games, crafts, cartoons, free time, and a snack. Parents may drop off their child(ren) anytime during the event, children do not have to stay for the entire evening. The pre-registration fee is only \$5.00 per child, drop-ins will be accepted the night of the event for a \$10 fee.

Location: Preschool C
Instructor: Staff
MIN/MAX: 10/50

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
4-11	Th	06:15-09:00P	09/11-09/11	\$5/5	102636-A1

Curtain Call Kids

Want to know what goes on behind the scenes? Do you love to hear the sound of applause? If so, then Curtain Call Kids is for you! Participants will prepare a set, design a wardrobe, and act in a short play or skit. Young actors will develop their acting skills throughout the session through role playing and character development. Basic stage direction, vocal and facial expression, movement, and spatial awareness will be introduced. Participants will be asked to bring supplies from home to use as props and costumes. Family and friends will be invited to the last class for a Curtain Call production!

Location: Meacham Room
Instructor: Becky Melman
MIN/MAX: 7/12

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
6-8	W	06:15-07:00P	09/24-11/12*	\$38/48	102637-A1
9-12	W	07:15-08:00P	09/24-11/12*	\$38/48	102637-A2

*NO CLASS 10/22

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The Quilts Are Here!!! Don't Miss Them!!!

The Bloomingdale Park District, 108 S. Bloomingdale Road, is pleased to present the Quilt National Show "B" collection and WOMEN PACKING IRONS from the Chicago School of Fusing Exhibit through August 23, 2008. (Wed-4-8 pm; Thurs/Fri-10-4; Sat. 10-4 pm)

Coming September 13 to Galleries I and II is "About Face." This multi-media show is a juried portrait exhibit with prizes and ribbons to be presented at the September 19th opening reception. This popular art exhibit and sale is always inspiring. Call the curators at 630/539-3096 in order to receive a prospectus for entering.

