



# Village of Bloomingdale Almanac

JUNE 2009

Look inside:

Brush Pickup

Hydrant  
Flushing

Family Fest

Septemberfest

## From the Desk of Mayor Bob Iden

In this Almanac you'll read about two Bloomingdale businesses that have survived the test of time and are celebrating significant anniversaries this year. Bloomingdale Pharmacy marks 30 years at its original location, 156 S. Bloomingdale Road and Spavone's Ristorante celebrates 25 years at 266 W. Lake Street. It's wonderful to see businesses survive and thrive in our community. We are happy to celebrate their milestones.

I'm also pleased to congratulate Dan Wennerholm, Village Administrator, on reaching his 30th anniversary with the Village on April 30th.

Dan started as Village Engineer in 1979, at the same time that the Village was experiencing a surge in growth and population. He was promoted to Director of Public Works and Engineering in October, 1982, then to Director of Community Services in May, 1985. In October 1989, Dan was appointed as Village Administrator.

Over the past 30 years, Dan has been a part of the construction and development of Stratford Square Mall, special assessment projects, residential annexations, growth of the Village's commercial and business park development, the construction of the new Public Works and Police facilities, and the purchase and development of the Bloomingdale Golf Club.

Dan observed his 30th anniversary the same way he did his first day of work – with cake! To the left is our celebration April 30, 2009 and to the right is April 30, 1979. That's Dan on the left side of the photo, standing next to Joe Stella, Building Commissioner at the time, and Mayor Vi Morrisroe on the far right. A champagne breakfast was held that day in honor of the ground-breaking for Stratford Square. Cheers, Dan!

Also, pictured below are the Village Board members sworn in to their new four-year terms on May 11 by Justice Ann Jorgensen. From left to right are: Village Clerk Susan Bartucci, Mayor Bob Iden, Justice Jorgensen, Trustees Jim Gebis, Judi Von Huben and Bill Bolen.

As Mayor, I was also elected president of the DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference for a one-year term. The DMMC is a coalition of cities and villages which evaluates the impact of state and federal legislation and provides research, technical assistance and training to members. The Village of Bloomingdale has long been an active member of this association and has found it to be a valuable resource.

Lastly, as we enter the summer season, remember Family Fest takes place June 25-28. Check out the highlights on page 15.

Mayor Bob Iden



## 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*

## 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.villageofbloomingdale.org](http://www.villageofbloomingdale.org)

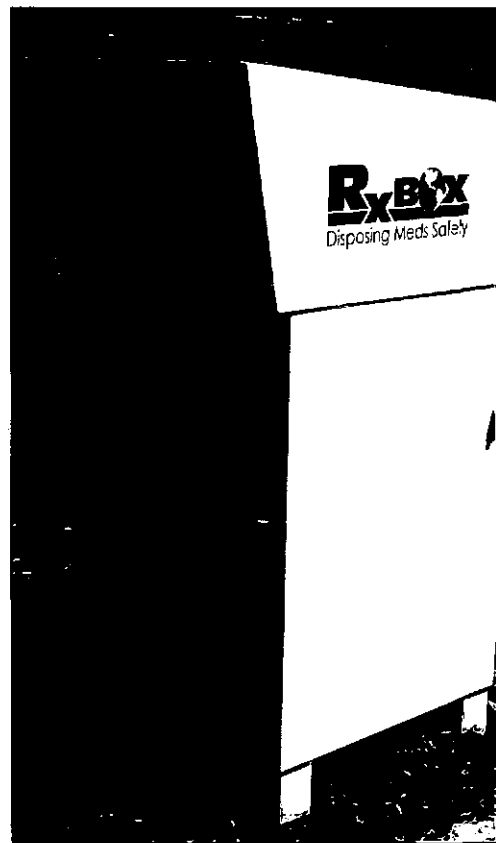
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the August issue  
of the  
Almanac is  
**JULY 10**

## RX Box Provides Safe Disposal of Medication

The Village of Bloomingdale in cooperation with DuPage County and the DuPage County Health Department, has installed a drop box for expired or unused medications at the Bloomingdale Police Department, 201 S. Bloomingdale Road. The RxBox is free of charge. This method of properly disposing of unused medications will help reduce the threat to our environment and increase the safety of children and others in the house. Residents can mark or cross out their personal information and leave the medication in the containers. All types of household medications are accepted, but no sharps (needles), medical waste or chemical waste can be accepted in the RxBOX.

### Accepted:

- Prescription & over the counter medication
- Medicated ointments and shampoos
- Liquids containing medications
- Prescription & over the counter inhalers
- Glass thermometers containing mercury



## Roadway Repair and Reconstruction Now Underway; Fairlane Court Scheduled for Complete Replacement

After the long, hard winter, spring and summer are finally upon us, and the Village of Bloomingdale is taking advantage of the long-awaited break in the weather to begin reconstructing and repairing streets throughout the Village. Following is a list of what's on the list for the 2009 road improvement season:

### Pavement Reconstruction

Road Reconstruction will be done on Fairlane Court (Milford to end) this includes removal and replacement of the existing asphalt pavement including curbs and gutters, and road base. The new roadway will be the same width as the existing road; no widening is planned. All work is funded 100% by the Village.

This work began in mid-May and will take approximately 2 ½ months to complete. During construction, these roads will be closed to through traffic. If you live in the construction zone you will be permitted to proceed past the barricades to reach your residence.



As part of the work, the Village will be installing a depressed curb at each driveway. This means the "bump" at the curb of each driveway is being eliminated, and a smooth transition from the street to each driveway will be constructed. The Village will also be reconstructing the driveway aprons, that is, the concrete driveway between the sidewalk and the curb, as part of the project.

### Pavement Overlay

Overlay maintenance consists of pavement patching, curb and gutter repairs to correct drainage deficiencies, storm sewer repairs and a new asphalt road surface. The following streets will receive pavement overlay:

Edgewater Court	Byron Avenue
Langton Court	Park Avenue (Bloomingdale Road to Walter)
Sterling Court	Walter Court
Oxford Court	Madsen Drive
Strathmore Court	Canterbury Court
Circle Avenue (Broker to Walter)	Schick Road (Lorraine Circle to Gary)

Motorists are advised to use alternate routes around the construction zone to avoid delays. Local detour signage consisting of "Road Construction Ahead" signs will be posted prior to construction.

If you have any questions regarding this project you may call the Village Services Department, Engineering Division, (630) 671-5676.

## Bloomingdale Road Reconstruction Underway; Work to be Completed in November

Construction on Bloomingdale Road began mid-May. The project is being coordinated by the DuPage County Highway Department. The project limits are Greenway Drive to Lake Street.

Actual pavement widening is confined to the areas between Greenway Drive and Raven Lane and between

Fairfield Way and Schick Road.

The remaining areas will be resurfaced as part of the project. There will be lane closures during the construction period. Traffic will be restricted to one lane in each direction with left turn lanes where possible between Greenway Drive and Schick Road.

Village utility relocations are a part of this project to be completed concurrently with the roadway improvements, consisting of a few fire hydrant relocations and connection of the water main between Aprina Court and Sutherland Court. Electric cables have already been relocated, but telephone, natural gas and CATV utilities are planned to be relocated during the spring.

Relative to side street and driveway road closures, there may be some temporary closures of driveways for properties that have multiple access ways to a site. Side roads may be blocked for short durations during certain construction activities, but should have assistance for motorists from flaggers. No parking of equipment, materials, or work vehicles will be permitted on side roads or in the Village Hall parking lots. Existing street lighting will be maintained at all times where it presently exists. Per Village ordinance, there should be no work in residential districts between 7:00 PM to 7:00 AM daily, nor work on Sundays or holidays.

Dave Tworek from the DuPage County Highway Department will be the project manager. He can be reached at (630) 682-7318. Construction information will be posted on the county's website at [www.dupageco.org](http://www.dupageco.org)

The projected completion date is November 7, 2009.

**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

## Join Friends and Neighbors at National Night Out Against Crime

The Bloomingdale Police Department, the Bloomingdale Neighborhood Watch Program and the Bloomingdale Park District invite the public to the "26th Annual National Night Out Against Crime" event scheduled for Tuesday, August 4th, 2009, from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Bloomingdale Park District, 172 S. Circle. 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 until they last. Please consider joining us for this free, fun, family event and help us to "Take A Bite Out Of Crime."



## Bloomingdale Police Officers Proudly Carrying the Flame of Hope on June 7 For Special Olympics

The Bloomingdale Police Department has been an active supporter of Special Olympics Illinois and will be participating in the annual Illinois Law Enforcement Torch Run that is being held on Sunday, June 7th, 2009.

Law Enforcement Officers throughout DuPage County will be carrying the Special Olympics Flame of Hope and running in intervals along a planned route to show support and unity for this great cause. The Torch Run route is being planned and will cross a section of Bloomingdale.

For upcoming details about the Torch Run route, please view the Village website, [www.villageofbloomingdale.org](http://www.villageofbloomingdale.org). Some roadway lanes may be closed for a period of time and we apologize for any inconvenience that this may cause. We appreciate your patience and understanding.

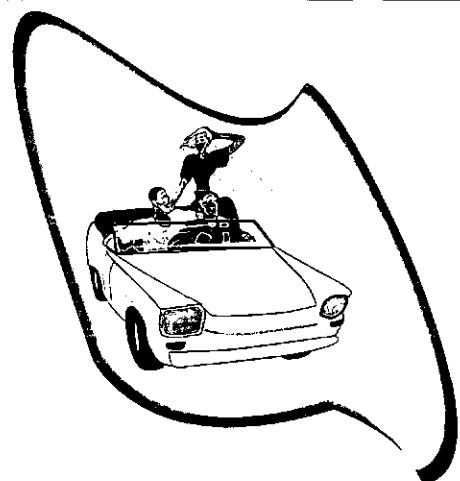
Please consider joining us and cheer us to support such a worthwhile cause!  
 Thank You!!!!!!



## Remember to Watch the Clock! Curfew Hours Strictly Enforced

Reminder: The Village of Bloomingdale enforces a Village-wide curfew ordinance that affects all people under the age of 17. It is illegal for a person under the age of 17 to be at any public place without adult supervision between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. Sunday night through Friday morning or 12:00 midnight and 6:00 a.m. Saturday and Sunday.

In addition, the driver's license of any person affected by this curfew law is not valid during the above curfew hours. Any teenager under the age of seventeen found to be driving during curfew hours might be arrested for driving without a valid driver's license. The only exceptions to this law include minors driving directly home from work after the curfew hours and minors who are accompanied by an adult.



# Summer Curbside Branch Collection Set for Week of July 20-24

Kramer Tree Specialists, Inc. will once again perform branch collection under the direction of the Village Forestry Division. Branch collection will begin on Monday, July 20. The program is only available to single family detached residences. Townhome residents should contact their association regarding branch collection.

## Branch Collection Guidelines:

- Branches must be out by 7:00 a.m. on Monday, July 20th.
- Woody branches 1/2 inch to 6 inches in diameter are the only items that will be picked up. (Note: any spikes, hooks or other metal objects must be removed).
- Long lengths are favored provided branches do not block sidewalks and pedestrian access.
- All branches should be placed at the curb or pavement edge and stacked in an orderly fashion with the cut or larger end towards the pavement.
- Thorny tree branches should not be concealed inside piles. These require special care as to not cause injuries to the workers.

## The following items are unacceptable:

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

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

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

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

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



Branches should be stacked like this . . .



. . . not like this.

# Village's Annual Hydrant Flushing Begins June 8

The Village Services - Utilities Division will be performing the annual Hydrant Flushing Program beginning June 8, 2009 through June 22, 2009. The Program will be performed during the daytime hours of 8:00 am - 3:00 pm. Please DO NOT WASH LAUNDRY during the flushing hours, as rust staining of the clothing may result. Residents with water softeners are encouraged to check the cycle time of their softeners so that the unit does not regenerate during this period.

One question that is always asked is - "Why does the Village flush hydrants?" Hydrant flushing is routine maintenance for a water system. It accomplishes the following:

1. **Improves water quality:** Flushing removes minerals such as iron and magnesium that have collected in the water mains.
2. **Improves water flow:** By removing these minerals, the inside diameter of a water main is increased and therefore, allows a better flow of water.
3. **Hydrant maintenance:** A fire hydrant is a mechanical device. Operation of a hydrant lubricates internal mechanisms and gaskets.
4. **Hydrant inspection:** Any deficiencies are noted and repaired as necessary to insure that each hydrant will perform when needed for an emergency.

The schedule for hydrant flushing by area will be as follows:

	<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>
Sunnyside, Westwind, Deer Glen, Medinah Lakes, Medinah Meadows, Medinah Grove, Dartmoor Homes, Vittoria Brooke Estates, Chateau of Medinah, Hamilton Lakes	Monday	June 8
Colony Green, College Quad Fours, Harvard, Brookdale, Wilshire Towers, South Glen Ellyn Rd. to Now Foods	Tuesday	June 9
North and South Suncrest, Medinah Country Estates, Dinah Road off Broker Road, Circle Center, Medinah on the Lakes, Lori Ct., Sunset Terrace, Westlake Highlands	Wednesday	June 10
Westlake Townhomes - Edgewater and Greenway, Lakeshore Townhomes, Fairfield, Milford, Fairfield Quads, Canterbury, Lexington Homes	Thursday	June 11
Springbrook Villas, Springbrook Shopping Center, North Bloomingdale Road, Bloomingdale Town Center, Fessler's Grove, Old Town, Bell Towers, North Maple, North Rosedale, Rosedale Estates, Seven Oaks, Lakewoods, South Bloomingdale Rd. to Edgewater	Friday	June 12
Founder's Pointe, Old Town Estates (East and West), Longridge (Levitt), West Pointe Estates, Indian Lakes Resort, Los Lagos, Indian Lakes (East)	Monday	June 15
Indian Lakes (West), Meadowlark to Skylark, Bloomfield Club, Stratford Place, Glengarry, Stratford Homes, Avalon at Stratford, Butterfield Rd., Springfield Rd. from Army Trail to Schick Rd.	Tuesday	June 16
Country Club Estates, Chateau Lorraine, Bloomfield Hills, On the Park, One Bloomingdale Place, Villas of Thornfield (Tantillo), Villa Way, Springfield Dr. from Schick Rd. to Lake St.	Wednesday	June 17
Stratford Lakes, Camden Apts., Bayview Crossing Phases 1 & 2, Stratford Square, Knollwood Dr., Heritage, Villa Veneto, Meijers	Thursday	June 18
Covington, Old Gary, Stratford Plaza, Bloomingdale Business Center, Bloomingdale Court, Fretter's Plaza, Schmale Rd. & South including Equity One and Klein Creek, Longview Dr.	Friday	June 19
West Schick Rd., Lake St., Army Trail Rd.	Monday	June 22

If there are questions, please contact Vern Fasse, Water Distribution Supervisor at (630) 671-5830.



## 37th Annual Septemberfest to Feature Car Show, Kids' Transportation Contest, Motorcycle Show & Parade on September 12th!



### Car Show

Bring your antique, classic, or unique car to the Septemberfest Car Show, which runs from 2-8 p.m. in Bloomingdale Old Town. There is **NO ENTRANCE FEE**. All exhibitors receive an engraved commemorative tag, and participate in various trophy classes. The first 50 cars to meet the eligibility requirements listed below will be selected for this show. You will receive written confirmation of your participation along with instructions.

### Eligibility Requirements:

1. Cars must be unique in appearance.
2. You must be able to drive your vehicle into the display area.
3. Cars must arrive by 2:00 p.m. for staging.
4. Cars must be suitable for display, i.e. no in-progress restorations or questionable graphics.
5. You must complete and return the application on or before August 14, 2009.
6. All cars must carry liability insurance and have safety glass.

Applications are available at Village Hall, on the website [www.villageofbloomingdale.org](http://www.villageofbloomingdale.org) or by calling Marilyn Zaccardi at (630) 893-0956 or Carol Dublin at (630) 671-5720. Deadline for applications is Friday, August 14, 2009.

### Be Part of the Parade and Float Contest!!!!

The Septemberfest Parade is looking for participants for the parade and the third annual Float Contest. This year's parade steps off at 11:00 am and arrives in Old Town at approximately noon. Line-up begins at Dujardin School, 166 Euclid Avenue, at 10:00 am. Parade applications are available at the Village Hall, on the website, [www.vil.bloomingtondale.il.us](http://www.vil.bloomingtondale.il.us), or by calling Gloria Tomaras at (630) 439-1160 or Carol Dublin at 630-671-5720. Deadline for parade applications is August 14, 2009. For details on the contest, visit the website.

### Calling All Kids!

Do you want to participate in the Car Show at Septemberfest? Too young? Problem...

Solution! Septemberfest will be holding the 2nd annual contest for kids, ages 15 and under. Decorate your bike, scooter, wagon, skateboard – anything you use to get around! Everyone who enters gets a ribbon. The best decorated vehicle will be voted on and the winner will receive an ice cream party.

Applications are available at the Village Hall and on the website, [www.vil.bloomingtondale.il.us](http://www.vil.bloomingtondale.il.us). Have your parents return the application to the Bloomingdale Village Hall, 201 S. Bloomingdale Road, Bloomingdale, IL 60108 by Friday August 14th! If you have any questions, please contact Marilyn Zaccardi at (630) 893-0956 or Carol Dublin at (630) 671-5720.

No riding of any kind is allowed in the staging area. An adult must accompany children under 12. The Village of Bloomingdale and the Septemberfest Commission are not responsible for lost or stolen items.

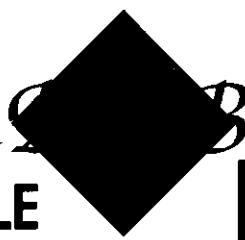
The optional parade starts at 11:00 am. (Staging for all entries in the parade is at 10:00 am) After the parade, all entries should be on display from 12:00 - 3:00 pm. The grand prize will be presented at 3:00 pm.

### 7th Annual Motorcycle Show

There will be a motorcycle show in the afternoon at Septemberfest. There will be no fee. Ribbons and trophies will be awarded per category. Check the website [www.villageofbloomingdale.org](http://www.villageofbloomingdale.org) closer to the event for an application or call Mark Garrison at 630-688-8428.



# 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 the Village portion of your property tax bill low.*

**Remember - BUY IN BLOOMINGDALE.**

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

### BLOOMINGDALE PHARMACY:

In 1970, Bloomingdale's population was 2,974. By 1980, it had jumped to 12,659. At the same time that the village was experiencing an influx of residents, businesses also began locating within our boundaries. Now, three decades later, one of these early establishments proudly celebrates its 30-year anniversary. When George Thies, Jr. and his partner Craig Kueltz opened **Bloomingdale Pharmacy** the day after Memorial Day in 1979, it was not only the first business to open in the Old Towne Center on Bloomingdale Road, it was the first drug store in town.



*The two Georges in 1999*

Both men came with experience in drug store ownership, but they were drawn to Bloomingdale because of the tremendous growth that was imminent. They promised to bring the kind of local store that could offer more than the chain operations, including a friendly neighborhood feel, free home delivery and a commitment to the community.

Thirty years later, owner George Thies III, (who started working for his dad and Kueltz one year out of college), notes that promise still holds. "We know almost every customer by name. Often when they call, we know who it is even before they tell us. We are filling prescriptions for the third generation of some families."

George continues the same quality of service and connection to the community, even after his dad fully retired from the pharmacy about five years ago. The younger Thies believes part of the reason Bloomingdale Pharmacy has been able to hold its own in the community is because the store has adjusted to meet the needs of a changing community.

"When we first opened we carried milk, bread, pop, cosmetics, developed film; we were almost a convenience store in addition to filling medical needs. There were no convenience stores in town. Kids used to ride their bikes and skateboards over to buy a pop and candy bar. The other day I filled prescription for a young dad who told me he used to ride his bike over here all the time when he was growing up."

Today, you can still buy a candy bar and can of pop, but you will find more medical products than convenience items. The store carries a large selection of medical and adaptive equipment for rental or purchase, an example of adapting to meet the needs of the customers. George and his staff are thrilled to be celebrating 30 years of health care in Bloomingdale. Stop in and wish them a Happy Anniversary!

### TONY SPAVONE'S RESTAURANT:

Another longtime business also marked a milestone this year. Restaurateur Tony Spavone marks 25 years of singing and serving traditional Italian cuisine in **Tony Spavone's Ristorante** at 266 W. Lake Street. Tony honed his talents as a chef working in his father's Italian eatery in Chicago. He started singing professionally when he was 17, performing in bars and eateries along Lincoln Avenue in Chicago.



Tony brought the family recipes to his own establishment and word spread quickly about the unique dining experience where the owner served up his voice, along with the authentic Italian fare and fine wine. Spavone's has been a family affair from the beginning. His retired father helped out in the early days at the restaurant and Tony would both cook and sing. Even today, his wife Lynette, and teen-aged daughters Collette and Ganette, lend a hand in the eatery from time to time.

Tony still performs in shows outside of the restaurant, although he tries to limit himself to summer concerts these days, one of which is usually Bloomingdale's Family Fest. He doesn't like to be away from the restaurant too much. "People still expect to see me here," he explains. And he still likes to cook; Tony is very much hands on.

Another bonus attraction at Spavone's is the clientele. You never know what celebrity will show up for dinner. All you need to do is take a look around the lobby which is filled with photos of Tony with singers and stars and other well known faces who came to eat, enjoy his company, and maybe sing a song or two. Even Yoko Ono has been a guest at Spavone's.

The restaurant and its well-known owner have also been featured on TV shows such as *Two on Two*, *190 North* and *Wild Chicago*. Stop in for dinner and see what all the excitement has been about for the last 25 years!



## 2009 CHARACTER COUNTS!

The following individuals were honored by the Bloomingdale CHARACTER COUNTS! Coalition for demonstrating outstanding character at the 2009 Recognition Breakfast, (from left to right) Kelsey Coleman, Larry Jamis, Virginia Canchola, Carol Rushton, Greg Leyden, Matt Numrich,

Dorothy Jaskey, Chuck Franzen, Nicholas Feeney, Peter Delgado, Jennifer Trimble, Fefe Ho, Emma Kirkham, Maggie Kriz (accepting posthumously for Jim Kriz), and Maryann Groner. Not pictured: Gayle Carr.

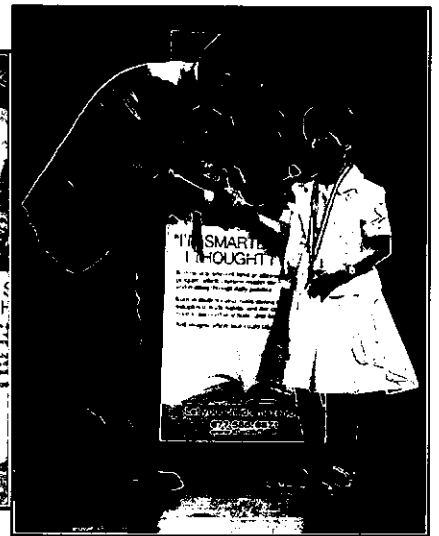


## Student Awards Ceremony Honors Top Achievements In Math & Reading

More than 100 area students were honored for their outstanding academic achievements during the Kumon Math and Reading Center of Bloomingdale's Spring Awards Ceremony. Kumon Instructor Urvi Shah, along with special guest Village Trustee Bill Bolen, presented students from preschool to high school with trophies and medals for their study of the Kumon Method of learning. Special awards were presented to those students who made the Advanced Student Honor Roll and those graduating the Kumon Reading program.



*Village Trustee Bill Bolen gives Krishan Bhagat, a kindergartener, a hi-five for earning Kumon's silver medal for math.*



*Kumon Regional Leader Mino Tanabe congratulates 2nd grader Mary Travis for earning Kumon's bronze medal for math.*

"Kumon unlocks the potential of children and helps them become independent, confident students," said Shah, who has operated the Center for five years. "This is evident in their advancement in the program. We are proud to recognize each student's achievement and support them as they strive to reach their academic and life goals."

Kumon, the world's largest afterschool math and reading program, was founded in 1958 in Japan and has been in Bloomingdale for nearly a decade. For more information about Kumon of Bloomingdale, contact Urvi Shah at (630) 539-7788. Visit <http://www.kumon.com>

## Library Featuring Work of Jerome "Pharaoh Gerumba" Clark

The Bloomingdale Public Library featured the work of Jerome "Pharaoh Gerumba" Clark, distinguished portrait artist and muralist. His collection of portraits of prominent black Americans was featured at the Bloomingdale Public Library during the month of March for National Black History Month. Some of the works were created expressly for this exhibit. Clark, who lives in St. Louis, is the brother of Milton Clark, Bloomingdale Library Board Member and member of the Village's Family Fest Commission.

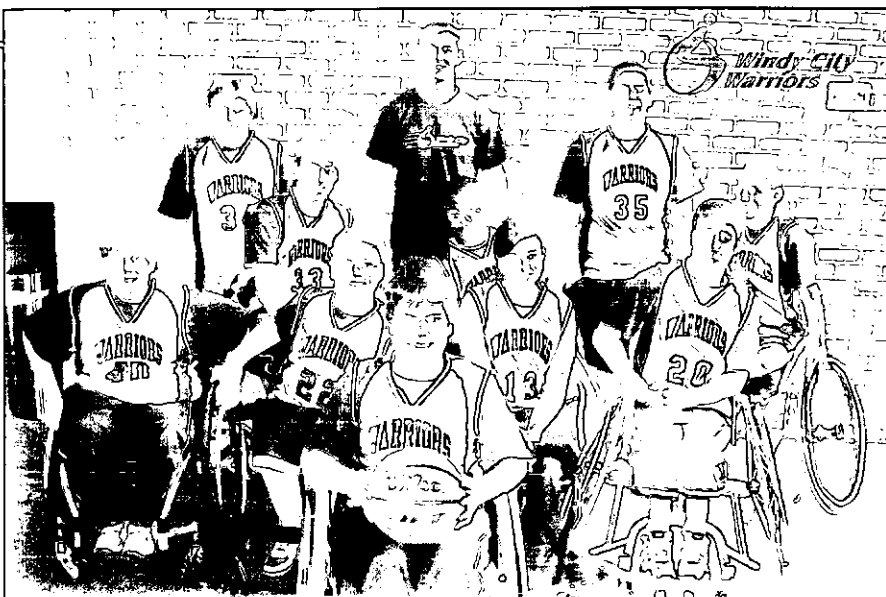


*Tim Jarzemy, Library Director, thanks the artist for lending us the exhibit.*

## Congratulations Windy City Warriors!

Western Dupage Special Recreation Association's Windy City Warriors are the Illinois High School Association Wheelchair Basketball Champions for an unprecedented 4th year! The Windy City Warriors took the State title as they swept the tournament held March 13th and 14th in

Peoria. Immediately after the state tournament, the Warriors took 2nd place at Nationals held in Denver the week of March 18th. Way to go Warriors!



## Trevor Koehn Witnessed History at Swearing in of President Obama

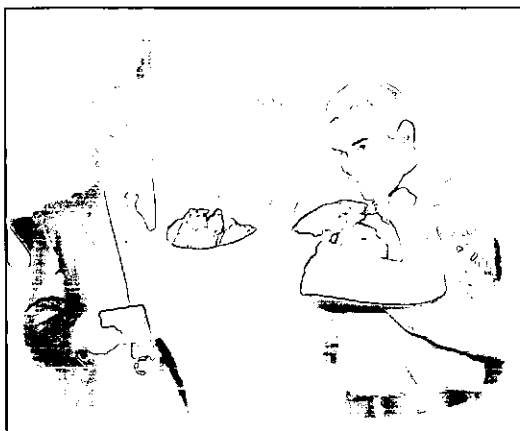
Lake Park High School Junior **Trevor Koehn**, son of Scott and Julie Koehn of Bloomingdale, attended the Presidential Youth Inaugural Conference in Washington D.C., including the inauguration of Barack Obama as the nation's 44th president, in January.

The five-day event is designed to educate and motivate students by giving them a deeper understanding of the electoral history of the United States, as well as of their own roles in a democracy. A series of speakers addressed the students at the University of Maryland. "We heard from Al Gore, Desmond Tutu, Colin Powell, and others," Koehn said. "Their objective was to teach leadership skills." Koehn also heard from Erik Weißenmayer, the only blind person to have climbed the Seven Summits, the tallest peak on every continent. "Set your goals high," he told us. "Put your mind to what you want to accomplish and you can do it," Koehn said.



Trevor watched the inaugurations of Barack Obama and Joe Biden on a JumboTron from the Washington Nationals baseball stadium more than a mile from the Capitol where the event took place. "We could not get closer; there were so many people," he said.

During the week, the students also toured the University of Maryland, walked around the National Mall, and attended an Inaugural Ball at the Smithsonian Institute. "It was one of the biggest inaugurations in history and I was glad to be a part of it," Koehn said. "It is a story I will be able to tell my children and my grandchildren. I, personally, think we have a bright future as a country."



## Welcome Levi McGhee

Our newest police officer is Levi McGhee. The young man was sworn in by Mayor Iden on January 26. He graduated first in his class of 31 from the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy in March. Levi was elected class president by his fellow recruits. He is currently in his field training and should be on his own on the street by the end of June. Here his wife, Melissa, pins Levi's badge on.

## EVENTS

**Park District Museum Shows**

This summer promises a treasure trove of extraordinary artwork at the Bloomingdale Park District Museum. The Bloomingdale Artists Association Summer Members' Show & fotomuses

"Homage" Show are running currently through June 20, 2009. The Bloomingdale Artists Association (BAA) will present their "best of the best" artwork for sale at

the annual summer members' show in Gallery I. Awards were presented at the opening reception in May. Also, the fotomuses will have their showing of "Homage", in Gallery II. The fotomuses, an award-winning group of talented women photographers will exhibit and offer for sale, their wonderful work. It is said that imitation is the sincerest form of flattery. This show is a photographic tribute to the Masters of Art throughout history by borrowing their uses of light, line, color, composition, or subject matter.

Later this summer, the museum will host an exhibit from the Midwest Collage Society from July 10 - August 22, 2009. An opening reception will be held from 2-4 p.m. on Sunday, July 29. The Midwest Collage Society promotes collage as a fine art by providing an exhibit and professional development activities to our members. Artists' workshops reflect a diverse artistic vocabulary of materials. Our artists typically add paper elements to water based media and use canvas platforms. Members apply various techniques to incorporate image and text transfers, handmade papers, vintage text, photographs, maps, found objects, beads, fibers and metals.

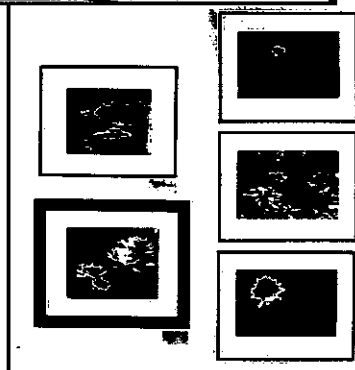
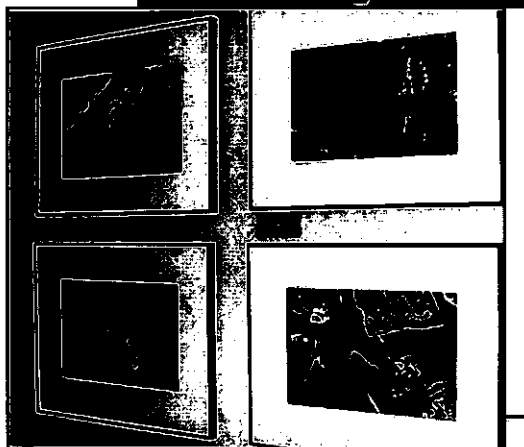
**Join the Fight Against Cancer**

The Roselle/Bloomingdale/Itasca Relay for Life takes place from 6 p.m. on June 12 through 6 a.m. on June 13 at Lake Park High School West Campus, 500 W. Bryn Mawr in Roselle. Sign up your team online at [www.relayforliferbi.com](http://www.relayforliferbi.com). For more information, contact Maryann Grygiel at [Mobyismom2k1@yahoo.com](mailto:Mobyismom2k1@yahoo.com) (630-893-6647) or Ashley Carlson at [Ashley.Carlson@cancer.org](mailto:Ashley.Carlson@cancer.org) (630-932-1141).

**Thanks!**

Thanks to the residents of Bloomingdale for another successful year for the Letter Carriers food drive. You donated over 5300 pounds. The Bloomingdale Township and the letter carriers of Bloomingdale Township are grateful for your generosity.

--Coordinators Daryl Miller & Bryan Tober, U.S.P.S

**Summer Concert Series Begins June 16**

The annual Summer Concert Series, sponsored by the Bloomingdale Park District and the Village of Bloomingdale, will begin on June 16. The concerts begin at 7 p.m. and are held in Old Town Park on Third Street in the heart of Old Town. For more information call 630-529-3650 or check the website at

[www.bloomingdaleparks.org](http://www.bloomingdaleparks.org)

**June 16**  
**Libido Funk Circus**  
(70's Disco)



**June 23**  
**White Saddle Band**  
(country)

**June 30**  
**Grand Avenue Big Band**  
Big Band/Patriotic Twist



**July 7**  
**One Foot in the Groove**  
Funk Rock

**July 14**  
**Associates Band**  
Motown

**July 21**  
**Soda**  
Rock (70's and Later)



**July 28**  
**The Sting Rays**  
(50's & 60's)

**August 4**  
**National Night Out**  
(no concert)

**August 11**  
**Rockwell**  
(ClassicRock)



**August 18**  
**American English**



## EVENTS

**Royal Gyros Opens near Stratford Square**

The king of all gyros restaurants opened in January at 84 Stratford Drive near Stratford Square Mall in Bloomingdale. Royal Gyros offers gyros, italian beef sandwiches, hamburgers and more from 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. daily.

"We've got the best gyros on the market," says co-owner Dionysius "Denny" Zezas. "Everything is fresh daily. Our hamburgers are fresh, never frozen, and we make our own sauce." Zezas runs Royal Gyros with partner Tonaciano Vivero. The two own the shop and two family restaurants, including Maxfield's in Schaumburg, with four other partners.

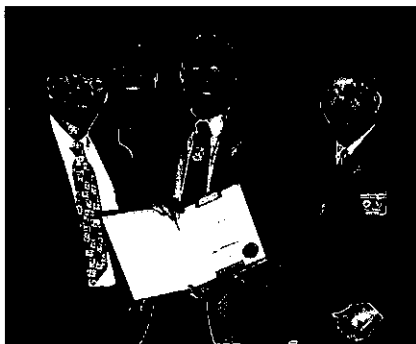
What makes Royal Gyros different? "We're good with our customers," Zezas says. "We try to find out what they want, and give them the best food at reasonable prices." For more information, call (630) 893-4206.

**Sign Up for Bloomingdale Church Day Camp June 16-19**

Day Camp is an annual tradition at Bloomingdale Church. Every June, Bloomingdale Church hosts a high-energy, fun-filled four-day camp for children who have completed Kindergarten through 6th Grade. This year's camp, "Fruits of the Spirit," takes place June 16-19. At Day Camp, children will learn that character counts! Through drama, music and special lessons, children will grow as they explore truths from the Bible. Don't miss this fun and exciting week and be sure to bring your friends! There is no charge. Register at [www.bloomingdalechurch.org](http://www.bloomingdalechurch.org) or for more information, call the church office, (630) 894-0090, or email: [children@bloomingdalechurch.org](mailto:children@bloomingdalechurch.org)

**25 Years of Service**

About 75 people celebrated the 25th anniversary dinner for St. Isidore Catholic Church's Knights of Columbus, Council # 8522, held in April. Officers from the Illinois State Knight's of Columbus presented the St. Isidore council with a certificate from the International Supreme Council recognizing its 25 years of service. Pictured from left to right are; St. Isidore's Grand Knight Tom Murray, St. Isidore's Past State Deputy Don Lively, Current State Deputy Phil Barone and State Deputy District Governor Paul Warda.

**Senator Pankau and Representative Reboletti to Host Senior Spelling Bee**

Seniors with a knack for spelling have an opportunity to test their skills during a qualifying round of the 2009 Illinois State Senior Spelling Bee, sponsored by State Senator Carole Pankau (R-Itasca) and Representative Dennis Reboletti (R-Elmhurst). The event will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 4 at the Addison Park District Community Rec Senior Center, 120 E. Oak Street, Addison. These qualifying rounds are held throughout the State of Illinois, with the finals occurring during the Illinois State Fair on Monday, August 17, 2009.

The spelling bee is open to anyone age 50 and older. Seniors willing to participate can pre-register by calling either 630-582-0390 or 630-530-2730 to obtain registration materials, or they can register at the event. Registration is free, and seniors are encouraged to study by using a dictionary or by going to [www.myspellit.com](http://www.myspellit.com) on the Internet.

**Bloomingdale Church Enters a New Phase, The Fourth Phase**

As the finale of its 30 year anniversary, Bloomingdale Church recently hosted an open house and dedication of its Phase Four construction project.

The church's spacious facility was packed with neighbors and well wishers. The children enjoyed an array of interactive games led by the teens and adults and "Soda Pop" the clown's balloon creations. The "big toys" that filled the church gym were a favorite, thanks to the generosity of Fund Ways. Local artists exhibited their works and the Bloomingdale

Historical Society held a book signing of "The History of Bloomingdale."

The church's Solid Grounds Coffee house featured favorite homemade coffees, as well as poetry readings.

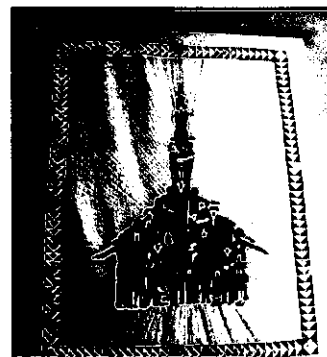
Everyone had the opportunity to have a picture taken with one of our U.S Presidents on display. Guests feasted on an abundance of ethnic foods in the new "Common Grounds" annex and were offered tours of the entire church facility.

This most recent building project is Bloomingdale Church's fourth major construction to the church. Dr. David

Riemenschneider, with his wife Marina, have been a pastoral couple at the church and active in

Bloomingdale since the congregation began in April 1978. Newcomers are always welcome at the church that worships weekends (Saturday 5:30PM, Sunday 8:30 or 11 AM.) There is also an active Sunday School program at 9:45 AM with a class for every age.

More information about the church is available at its interactive website, [www.bloomingdalechurch.org](http://www.bloomingdalechurch.org).



## Play Ball!!!!

A Civil War Era Base Ball Game will take place on September 19, hosted by the Bloomingdale Historical Society & the Bloomingdale Park District. A Bloomingdale team will take on the Lockport and Downers Grove Vintage Base Ball teams. The rules of 1858 base ball will be played. Rules include: no gloves, no stealing bases, no wagering, no spitting or cursing!

Sponsorships are available for this nostalgic event which promised to be a lot of fun for everyone.. Proceeds will go toward marking the graves of War of 1812 and Civil War soldiers buried in St. Paul Cemetery on Lake Street.

### Play Ball!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime phone \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ Bleachers: \$5.00      ☐ Single: \$10.00      ☐ Double: \$20.00  
☐ Triple: \$30.00      ☐ Home Run: \$50.00      ☐ Grand Slam: \$100.00

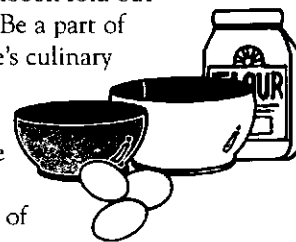
Please make checks out to the Bloomingdale Historical Society and mail to:  
 Bob Kurek  
 203-D College  
 Bloomingdale, Illinois 60108

For more info contact Bob Kurek at (630) 894-0045.



## Be a Part of Bloomingdale's History

The Bloomingdale Historical Society is planning to publish another cookbook. Our first cookbook sold out very quickly. Be a part of Bloomingdale's culinary history! We are asking Bloomingdale residents to submit 1 to 3 of your favorite recipes. Which recipes would you like to pass down?



With luck, we will have the book available by Septemberfest. If you'd like your recipes included, please drop them off or mail to the Bloomingdale Public Library, 101 Fairfield Way, Bloomingdale, IL 60108 or email to [dmcl32@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dmcl32@sbcglobal.net).

Thanks for your help in making this second collection of local recipes a success.

## WONDERING WHO YOU CAME FROM?

The Local History Room at the library isn't just for Bloomingdale history. We archive the newspapers and study the history of many surrounding areas as well, to help you understand our interesting past. Aspiring, as well as seasoned genealogists, will find informative books and periodicals dealing with many countries and cultures – all designed to help you search out your own unique family history. There is even a professional on staff to get you started or help you over that genealogical "Brick wall."

Appointments are available by phone, email or in the Local History room at your convenience to find out how easy it is to get started.

The Library also sponsors a Genealogy Club the fourth Thursday of every month where you can share your research and compare methodology with others, as well as learn new search tips and "brick wall" solutions.

For more information, call Leslie in the Local History room at (630) 924-2765 or email your questions to [ldrewitz@mybpl.org](mailto:ldrewitz@mybpl.org).

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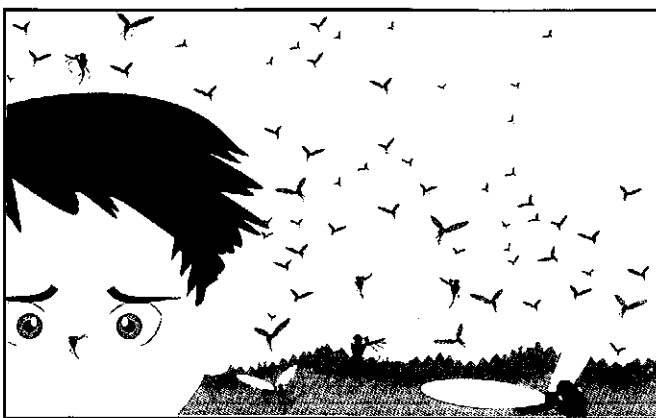
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# Fight the Bite!

As temperatures climb and the public spends more time outdoors, the health department reminds residents that mosquitoes will not only be an annoying part of the landscape, but possibly a disease-carrying one, as well. It's time to start thinking about protection and prevention of mosquito-borne disease.



West Nile virus is transmitted through the bite of a mosquito that has picked up the virus by feeding on an infected bird; human illness occurs when an infected mosquito bites a person. Most people infected with WNV have no symptoms of illness and never become ill. But some may become ill three days to 15 days following a bite. Symptoms can include fever, headache and body aches. People over the age of 50 and those with chronic diseases such as heart disease or cancer may be more at-risk for meningitis or encephalitis, two life-threatening diseases. But, people of any age can contract West Nile illness.

The health department urges everyone to "Fight the Bite" and make sure they are properly protected:

- Apply mosquito repellent containing 20-35 percent DEET primarily to clothing. Concentrations of 10% or less are indicated for children. Use sparingly on exposed skin.
- Limit time outdoors when mosquito activity is heaviest (dusk through dawn).
- Keep skin covered if outdoors between dusk and dawn. Wear long-sleeved shirts, pants and socks.
- Be sure screens in homes are intact and tight fitting to prevent entry of insects.
- Keep gutters around home cleared of debris and in good repair.
- Eliminate any containers that may hold water from around the outside of the home. Water that is allowed to stagnate for three or four days becomes a breeding ground for mosquitoes.
- Report areas of standing water to Clarke Mosquito Control at its "Mosquito Hotline," at 1-800-942-2555.

Mosquito abatement services are provided through a contract between Bloomingdale Township and Clarke Environmental Mosquito Management, Inc. of Roselle. This Bloomingdale Township initiative covers the entire township including the Village of Bloomingdale. Information is available at:

<http://www.bloomingdaletownship.com/Services/Mosquito.htm>

Clarke Environmental Mosquito Management, Inc. begins spraying and other treatments typically in the spring and continues throughout the year until late fall, weather depending. Normal spraying is done at regular intervals depending on need. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this program, please call the Township at (630) 529-7715.

The DuPage County Health Department web site also provides useful information. Residents may contact 630-682-7079 or visit the web site:

<http://www.dupagehealth.org/ehs/wnv/wnv.asp>.

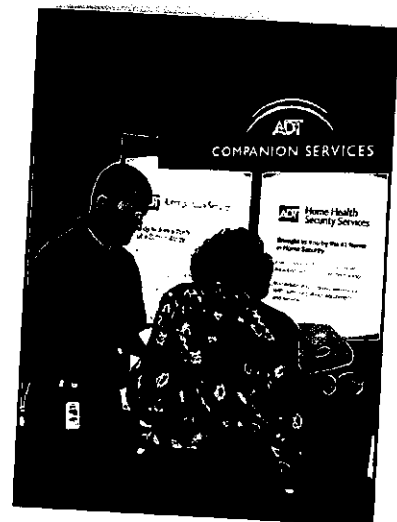
The County Health Department will coordinate testing of dead birds with the State. Residents should contact the County Health Department at 630-682-7400.

## Information & Services Abound at Senior Day Fair

The 5th Annual Senior Day Fair, hosted by the Bloomingdale Police Department and Senior Citizen Advisory Council, took place on May 1.

Over 60 vendors and agencies met with approximately 170 seniors.

The free event allows participants to access information concerning senior health and welfare in a comfortable & friendly setting.



THE VILLAGE OF BLOOMINGDALE AND  
WINDY CITY AMUSEMENTS  
ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE PRE-SALES OF THE...

# MEGA-SPECIAL RIDE BRACELET!

PLEASE NOTE: THIS OFFER IS VALID FOR UNLIMITED RIDES THROUGHOUT FAMILY FEST WITH NO BLACKOUT DATES OR TIMES AT A COST OF \$60.00 PER BRACELET, PER PERSON. ABSOLUTELY NO REFUNDS. THIS OFFER MUST BE PURCHASED IN PERSON AT EITHER LOCATION LISTED BELOW. THIS IS A LIMITED TIME OFFER FOR PRESALE PURCHASES ONLY, BEGINNING MAY 30 AND ENDING JUNE 13. THIS OFFER WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT THE FEST.

**Sales will begin on: Saturday, May 30, 2009**

**Sales will end on: Saturday, June 13, 2009**

The cost is \$60.00 per bracelet, per person. Cash or checks only. We regret that we cannot accept debit/credit cards.

Checks can be made payable to the Village of Bloomingdale.

You may purchase this special offer during business hours at the following locations:



Bloomington Village Hall  
201 S. Bloomington Road  
Bloomington, IL 60108  
(630) 893-7000

Hours:

Monday - Friday 8:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Bloomington Public Library  
101 Fairfield Way  
Bloomington, IL 60108  
(630) 924-2720

Hours:

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



**REDEEM YOUR VOUCHER FOR THE MEGA RIDE SPECIAL BRACELET AT WINDY CITY AMUSEMENTS TICKET BOOTH #1 ON-SITE.**

## FAMILY FEST DATES & TIMES

Thursday, June 25, 2009  
5:00 - 10:00 p.m.

Friday, June 26, 2009  
5:00 - 11:00 p.m.

Saturday, June 27, 2009  
1:00 - 11:00 p.m.

Sunday, June 28, 2009  
1:00 - 11:00 p.m.

## ***FAMILY FEST ENTERTAINMENT LINE-UP***

(as of May 20, 2009 - subject to change)

### **THURSDAY, JUNE 25**

6:30 to 8 p.m. Midnight

8:30 to 10 p.m. Hooked on Sonics

### **FRIDAY, JUNE 26**

6 to 7:15 p.m. Eric Tothorow of Crash, The Dave Matthews Band Tribute

7:45 p.m.-8:45 Shirley King Blues (Daughter of BB King)

9:15 to 11 p.m. Echoes of Pompeii (Pink Floyd Tribute)

### **SATURDAY, JUNE 27**

4:15-5:30 p.m. Michael J. Perkins Tribute to Sinatra

**8 to 9:30 p.m. Survivor**

9:45 to 11 p.m. Bad Medicine (Tribute to Bon Jovi)

### **SUNDAY, JUNE 28**

3:00-4:30 Johnny Maggio

5:00-6:15 Crown Vics

6:45 to 8:00 p.m. US Army Field Band

8:15 to 9:15 p.m. Tony Spavone, From Naples with Love

9:15-9:30 p.m. Bloomington Family Fest Tribute to War Veterans

9:30 to 10:00 Fireworks

10 to 11 p.m. Voyage





# Bloomington Fire Protection District #1



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## Cooking Safely at the Grill

The Bloomington Fire Protection District and the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) reminds grilling enthusiasts and basic backyard cooks alike to remember grilling safety as the outdoor cooking season heats up. In 2003-2006, U.S. fire departments responded to an average of 7,900 home fires involving grills, hibachis, or barbecues per year, causing 120 reported injuries and \$80 million in direct property damage.

"Nothing dampens an outdoor barbeque like a fire or burn," said Lorraine Carli, vice president of communications for NFPA. "With simple steps, mishaps can be easily avoided and dinner saved."

One-third of the non-confined home structure fires involving grills started on an exterior balcony or unenclosed porch, 18% started on a courtyard, terrace, or patio, and 11% started on an exterior wall surface. Of these fires that involved gas grills, the leading contributing factor was a leak or break in hoses or other equipment, and the leading contributing factor of fires involving charcoal or other solid-fueled grills was something that could burn being too close to the grill.

In 2007, 18,600 patients went to emergency rooms because of injuries involving grills.

For general grilling safety tips, audio clips, statistical information, and a slide show on how to prepare your gas grill for grilling, visit [www.nfpa.org/grilling](http://www.nfpa.org/grilling)

NFPA offers the following grilling safety tips:

- Gas and charcoal BBQ grills must only be used outdoors. If used indoors, or in any enclosed spaces, such as tents, they pose both a fire hazard and the risk of exposing occupants to carbon monoxide poisoning.
- Place the grill well away from siding, deck railings and out from under eaves and overhanging branches.
- Place the grill a safe distance from lawn games, play areas, and foot traffic.
- Keep children and pets away from the grill area: have a three-foot "kid-free zone" around the grill.
- Use long-handled grilling tools to give the chef plenty of clearance from heat and flames.
- Periodically remove grease or fat buildup in trays below grill so it cannot be ignited by a hot grill.

### Charcoal Grills

1. Use only charcoal starter fluid to start a fire.
2. Never add charcoal starter fluid when coals or kindling have already been ignited, and never use gasoline or any other flammable liquid to get the fire going.
3. Store the charcoal starter fluid out of reach of children, and away from heat sources.



### Gas Grills

- Check the gas tank hose for leaks before using it for the first time each year. A light soap and water solution applied to the hose will quickly reveal escaping propane by releasing bubbles. If you determine your grill has a gas leak, by smell or the soapy bubble test, and there is no flame:
  - Turn off the gas tank and grill.
  - If the leak stops, get the grill serviced by a professional before using it again.
  - If the leak does not stop, call the fire department.
- If you smell gas while cooking, immediately get away from the grill and call the fire department. Do not attempt to move the grill.
- Only use equipment bearing the label of a recognized testing laboratory. Follow the manufacturers' instructions on how to set up the grill and maintain it.
- Never store propane gas tanks in buildings or garages. If you store a gas grill inside during the winter, disconnect the tank and leave it outside.

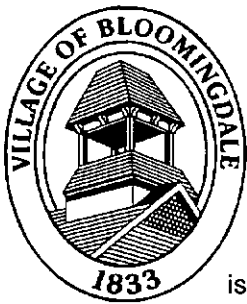
If you have a grill fire, immediately move a safe distance from the fire and call 911.

For flare-ups:

1. Be prepared to keep the fire under control. If it is possible, raise the grid that the food is on, spread the coals out evenly, or adjust the controls to lower the temperature.
2. Normal flare-ups can be handled with a cup of water.

The Bloomington Fire Protection District and NFPA work to reduce the burden of fire and other hazards on the quality of life by providing information, training, and education. For more information on this or other safety topics, contact Lieutenant Richard Kurka at 630-894-9080.





## Bloomingtondale 2009 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

This report is intended to provide you with important information about your drinking water and the efforts made by the VILLAGE OF BLOOMINGDALE water system to provide safe drinking water. The drinking water used by BLOOMINGDALE is purchased from the Dupage Water Commission and is supplied to us under contract from the City of Chicago, whose source is Lake Michigan. For more information regarding this report, contact:

Name: Village Services Department - Utilities Division  
Robert C. Maguire, Utilities Superintendent  
Phone: (630) 671-5830

### Sources of Drinking Water

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426 - 4791.

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and groundwater wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

### Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.

Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.

Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.

Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by - products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.

Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally - occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health. Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno - compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV / AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA / CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800 - 426 - 4791).

### Source Water Assessment for the period of January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008

A Source Water Assessment summary is included below for your convenience.

#### Source Water Location

The City of Chicago utilizes Lake Michigan as its source water via two water treatment plants. The Jardine Water Purification Plant serves the northern areas of the City and suburbs, while the South Water Purification Plant serves the southern areas of the City and suburbs. Lake Michigan is the only Great Lake that is entirely contained within the United States. It borders Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin, and is the second largest Great Lake by volume with 1,180 cubic miles of water and third largest by area.

## Susceptibility to Contamination

The Illinois EPA considers all surface water sources of community water supplies to be susceptible to potential pollution problems. The very nature of surface water allows contaminants to migrate into the intake with no protection, only dilution. This is the reason for mandatory treatment for all surface water supplies in Illinois.

Chicago's offshore intakes are located at a distance that shoreline impacts are not usually considered a factor on water quality. At certain times of the year, however, the potential for contamination exists due to wet weather flows and river reversals. In addition, the placement of the crib structures may serve to attract waterfowl, gulls and terns that frequent the Great Lakes area, thereby concentrating fecal deposits at the intake and thus compromising the source water quality. Conversely, the shore intakes are highly susceptible to storm water runoff, marinas, and shoreline point sources due to the influx of groundwater to the lake. Throughout history there have been extraordinary steps taken to assure a safe source of drinking water in the Chicagoland area from the building of the offshore cribs and the introduction of interceptor sewers to the lock - and - dam system of Chicago's waterways and the city's Lakefront Zoning Ordinance.

Citizens should be aware that everyday activities in an urban setting might have a negative impact on their source water. Efforts should be made to improve awareness of storm water drains and their direct link to the lake within the identified local source water area. A proven best management practice (BMP) for this purpose has been the identification and stenciling of storm water drains within a watershed. Stenciling along with an educational component is necessary to keep the lake a safe and reliable source of drinking water.

## 2008 Water Quality

### *Definition of Terms*

*The following tables contain scientific terms and measures, some of which may require explanation.*

**Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG):** The level of contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLG's allow for a margin of safety.

**Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL):** The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

**Highest Level Detected:** This column represents an average of sample result data collected during the CCR calendar year. In some cases, it may represent a single sample if only one sample was collected.

**Range of Detections:** This column represents a range of individual sample results, from lowest to highest that were collected during the CCR calendar year.

**Date of Sample:** If a date appears in this column, the Illinois EPA requires monitoring for this contaminant less than once a year because the concentrations do not frequently change. If no date appears in the column, monitoring of this contaminant was conducted during the CCR calendar year.

**Action Level (AL):** The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

**Treatment Technique (TT):** A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

**n/d** - Not detectable at testing limits      **n/a** - not applicable

### 2008 Water Quality Tables

The following table includes contaminants detected in samples collected by the City of Chicago and the Village of Bloomingdale. All samples were collected between January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2008 unless otherwise noted with a date. The following units of measurement will assist you in understanding the table.

#### Unit of measurement

ppm - parts per million, or milligrams per liter

ppb - parts per billion, or micrograms per liter

NTU - Nephelometric Turbidity Unit, used to measure cloudiness in drinking water

%< 0.5 NTU - percent samples less than 0.5 NTU

pCi/l - picocuries per liter, used to measure radioactivity

n/a - not applicable

## Water Quality Tables – Regulated Contaminants

Contaminant (unit of measurement) Typical source of contaminant	Sample Collected By	MCLG	MCL	Highest Level Detected	Range of Detections	Date of Sample	Violation
Microbial Contaminants							
*Turbidity (%<0.3 NTU) Soil runoff	Chicago	n/a	TT	100%	n/a		N
*Turbidity (NTU) Soil runoff	Chicago	n/a	TT=1 NTU max	0.14	n/a		N
Inorganic Contaminants							
Barium (ppm) Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits	Chicago	2	2	0.0194	.0191 – .0194		N
	Bloomington	2	2	.0544	.0218 – .0544	10/24/2007	N
Nitrate (as Nitrogen) (ppm) Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits	Chicago	10	10	0.320	0.304 – 0.320	10/24/2007	N
Nitrite (as Nitrogen) (ppm) Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits	Bloomington	1	1	.011	0.0 -0.110	10/24/2007	N
Cadmium (ppb) Corrosion of galvanized pipe; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from metal refineries; runoff from waste batteries	Bloomington	5	5	.104	0.0 – 0.104	10/24/2007	N
Iron (ppb) Erosion of natural deposits	Bloomington	n/a	1000	1.22	.394 – 1.220	10/24/2007	N
Manganese (ppb) Erosion of natural deposits	Bloomington	150	150	12.5	5.77 – 12.50	10/24/2007	N
Sodium (ppm) Erosion of natural deposits; used in water softener regeneration	Bloomington	n/a	n/a	51.300	34.70 – 51.30	10/24/2007	N
Zinc (ppm) Erosion from natural deposits	Bloomington	5	5	.00378	0.00 – 0.00378	10/24/2007	N
Arsenic (ppb)	Bloomington	n/a	10	5.76	0.0 – 5.76	10/24/2007	N
Arsenic - While the Village's well water meets USEPA standards, it does contain low levels of arsenic. USEPA's standard balances the current understanding of arsenic's possible health effects against the cost of removing arsenic from the water source. USEPA continues to research the health effects of low levels of arsenic, which is a mineral known to cause cancer in humans at high concentrations and is linked to other health effects such as skin damage and circulatory problems. The Village's well supply is inactive and has not supplied water to the water system since 1992. The wells are maintained and sampled to be used only in the event of an emergency.							
Disinfectant/Disinfection By-Products							
*TTHMs (Total Trihalomethanes) (ppb) By-product of drinking water disinfection	Chicago	n/a	80	19.500	9.100 – 29.60		N
	Bloomington	n/a	80	40.0	24.31 – 48.00		N
*HAA5s (Haloacetic Acids) (ppb) By-product of drinking water disinfection	Chicago	n/a	60	*9.0	3.10 – 14.00		N
	Bloomington	n/a	60	*16	6.76 – 17.0		N
TTHMs & HAA5s - * Not all sample results were used for calculating Highest Level Detected because some results include the Initial Distribution System Evaluation (IDSE) study for future compliance that are included in the range of results. IDSE Standard Monitoring Plan. Stage II Distribution By-products Rules promulgated January 2006.							
Chlorine (as Cl <sub>2</sub> ) (ppm) Drinking water disinfectant	Chicago	4.0	4.0	0.74	0.63 – 0.74		N
	Bloomington	4.0	4.0	0.6	0.2 – 0.600		N
TOC (Total Organic Compounds)	Chicago	The percentage of TOC removal was measured each month and the system met all TOC removal requirements by IEPA					
Radioactive Contaminants							
Gross Alpha (excluding radon and uranium) (pCi/L) Erosion of natural and manmade deposits	Chicago	0	15	0.88	0.090- 0.880		N
Beta/Photon Emitters (pCi/L) Decay of natural and manmade deposits	Bloomington	0	15	8.80	0.0 – 8.80	10/24/2007	N
	Chicago	0	5	1.38	1.30 – 1.38		N

## Water Quality Tables – Regulated Contaminants (cont'd)

Contaminant (Unit of measurement) Typical source of contaminant	MCLG	Action Level (AL)	90 <sup>th</sup> percentile	# of sites over AL	Date of Sample	Violation
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### Lead and Copper

<b>Lead</b> (ppb) Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits	Bloomington	0	15	0	2	July 2008 – August 2008	N
<b>Copper</b> (ppm) Erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives; corrosion of household plumbing systems	Bloomington	1.3	1.3	.101	0	July 2008 – August 2008	N

## Water Quality Tables - Unregulated Contaminants

Contaminant (Unit of measurement) Typical source of contaminant	MCLG	MCL	Highest Level Detected	Range of Detections	Date of Sample	Violation
<b>Sulfate</b> (ppm) Erosion of natural deposits	Chicago	n/a	n/a	28,900	27,700 – 28,900	N

## Water Quality Tables - State Regulated Contaminants

Contaminant (unit of measurement) Typical source of contaminant	MCLG	MCL	Highest Level Detected	Range of Detections	Date of Sample	Violation
<b>Fluoride</b> (ppm) Erosion of natural deposits	Chicago	4.0	4.0	1.05	0.92 – 1.05	N
<b>Sodium</b> (ppm) Erosion of natural deposits; used as water softener	Chicago	n/a	n/a	8.85	8.13 – 8.85	N

### Water Quality Data Table Footnotes

#### Turbidity

Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of water. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of water quality and the effectiveness of filtration and disinfectants.

#### Unregulated Contaminants

A maximum contaminant level (MCL) for this contaminant has not been established by either state or federal regulations, nor has mandatory health effects language. The purpose of monitoring this contaminant is to assist USEPA in determining the occurrence of unregulated contaminants in drinking water, and whether future regulation is warranted.

#### Fluoride

Fluoride is added to the water supply to help promote strong teeth. The Illinois Department of Public Health recommends an optimal fluoride range of 0.9 mg/l to 1.2 mg/l.

#### Sodium

There is no state/federal MCL for sodium. Monitoring is required to provide information to consumers and health officials concerned about sodium intake due to dietary precautions. If you are on a sodium-restricted diet, you should consult a physician about this level of sodium in the water.

## 2008 Violation Summary

There were no violations for the calendar year January 1, 2008 – December 31, 2008.

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June/July 2009

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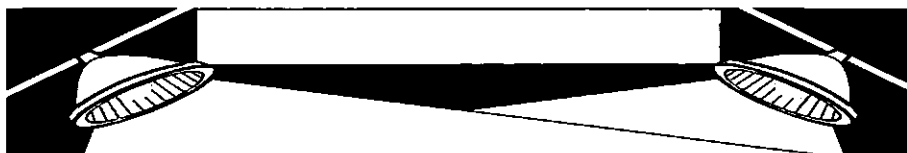
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## Spotlight On ... online program registration!

The Library is pleased to announce that online program registration is now available for most of the programs offered to the public. To register for a program, just follow these instructions:

1. Visit the Library's website at <http://www.mybpl.org>.
2. Click on the "Calendar" link in the top right hand corner of the screen, which will take you to the Library's online calendar page.
3. Using the calendar in the top right hand corner of the screen, please select the date of the program you would like to register for. If you do not know the date of the program, you may use the drop down menu in the center of the page, or the search feature.
4. If online registration is available for the program, a "Register" button will be shown. Click on the "Register" button. If no "Register" button appears, this program is not eligible for online registration (Classes that require a fee or deposit are not eligible for online program registration.) If you are unable to register for the program online, please call the number listed within the program information box.
5. Once you click the "Register" button a pop-up window will open. Please fill in all of the requested information. You will be asked for an e-mail address. If you choose to fill out this information you will receive an e-mail confirmation of your program registration, and will be notified if any information about the program has changed. Please note: The Library does not sell or share this information; it will be used for program purposes only.

If you have any problems or questions regarding your registration, please contact the department listed in the program information box.

Should you have any questions at all regarding the above process, please do not hesitate to call the Library at (630) 529-3120. If you do not have Internet access at home, you may call the Library or register in person during Library hours.

## Upcoming Friends of the Library meeting dates:

Wednesday, August 19, 2009 from 7:00 – 8:45 p.m.  
Wednesday, October 21, 2009 from 7:00 – 8:45 p.m.



## Youth Services Programs

### Summer Reading Brochures are in the Mail

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

#### IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE SUMMER READING PROGRAM:

Registration for the **Read on the Wild Side!** Summer Reading Program begins:  
**Monday, June 8, 2009.**

First day to check in reading logs for prizes is: **Monday, June 15, 2009.**

Last day to check in reading logs for prizes is: **Saturday, August 1, 2009.**

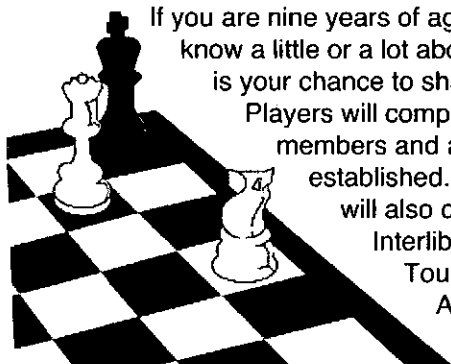
## A SAMPLING OF SUMMER PROGRAMS

### Chess Club (Ages 9 and up)

Wednesdays, June 10 – July 29

2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Registration is not required. Everyone is welcome.



If you are nine years of age or older and know a little or a lot about the game, this is your chance to sharpen your skills. Players will compete with other club members and a ranking will be established. The Chess Club will also compete in the Interlibrary Chess Club Tournament on August 1.

### The Amazing Animal Adventure Show (Families)

Monday, June 22

7:00 p.m. – 7:45 p.m.

Registration is not required. Everyone is welcome.

Samantha Martin, the owner of Amazing Animals, is bringing ten wild animals to visit the Library this evening, and you can come and meet them! Their experienced



handlers will share fascinating facts and entertaining stories about each animal, some of which will perform tricks. You may even get a chance to pet a few of these creatures. Samantha and her animals have made numerous appearances on local and national television and radio programs. They have also toured throughout the United States and Europe and many of her animals have appeared in movies, music videos, commercials, and print ads.

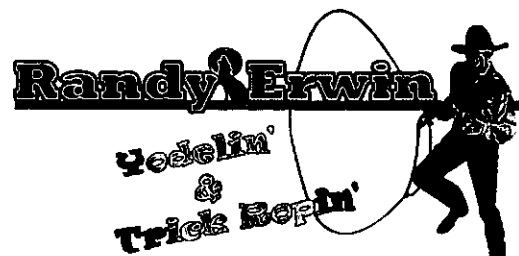
### Cowboy Randy and the Wild West (Families)

Tuesday, July 7

1:30 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.

Registration is not required. Everyone is welcome.

Join us as cowboy Randy Erwin shares cowboy history, music, folktales, and culture. You will learn about the physics of trick-roping and how to do it yourself. You will also get to participate in the making of cowboy music. Mr. Erwin has performed in person, on radio and television all around Great Britain, Canada, and the United States, and was the yodeling voice for Alameda Slim in Walt Disney's *Home on the Range*.



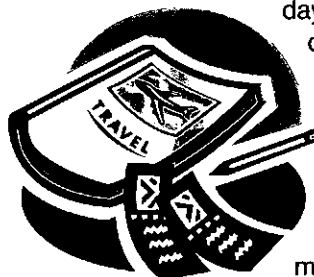
### Travel Kits

Applications will be available from June 8 through August 1, for pick-up dates between June 15 and August 15. Travel Kits are for Bloomingdale Public Library cardholders only.

Looking for something to do during your vacation? Stop by the Youth Services Desk at least seven days before the

departure date of your trip and fill out an application for a Travel Kit.

When you are ready to leave, pick up your kit filled with books, audio materials, and games to entertain yourself while you are on the road. The books and audio materials need to be returned to the Library when you are home again.





# Adult Services Programs

## Make Big Plans: Daniel Burnham's Vision of an American Metropolis - Daniel Burnham Exhibit

In honor of the 100th anniversary of Daniel Burnham and Edward H. Bennett's Plan of Chicago, the Burnham Plan Centennial Committee and The Newberry Library have created a photopanel and digital exhibit titled, *Make Big Plans: Daniel Burnham's Vision of an American Metropolis*. To celebrate the historic Burnham Plan of 1909, Bloomington Public Library will host the exhibit this summer through December 2009. Curated by the Newberry, the show will be on display in public libraries and other venues throughout the metropolitan region, and will be the focal point of the Centennial celebration.



The exhibit emphasizes the Plan's relevance to metropolitan development through the 20th century and into the future using photographic reproductions of stunning images from the Plan and other sources.

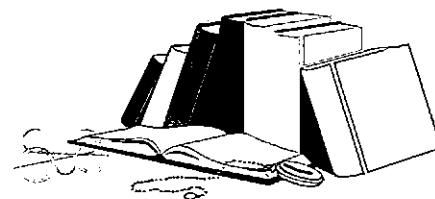
Watch for Burnham and Bennett's Plan of Chicago related programs coming in the fall. For more information about Chicago's big celebration, visit: <http://burnhamplan100.uchicago.edu/>.

## Read on the Wild Side

Get ready to **Read on the Wild Side** when you participate in this year's adult summer reading program! Registration begins on Monday, June 8. Registration is limited to Bloomington residents. Each time you read or listen to a book between June 8 and August 1, stop at the Reference Desk and we will record your title. We will begin recording titles on Monday, June 15. You can rate the books you read and share new authors and titles with other readers.

You will receive an entry into the final drawing for every five books you read, and a prize after reading five, ten, and fifteen books. In addition, if you choose a book from our **Read on the Wild Side** book list, you will receive an extra coupon in the final drawing. The more books you read, the better chance you have to win the grand prizes at the end of the program. There will be weekly drawings throughout the summer for prizes donated by local businesses. Thanks to the many area businesses and organizations that help make our program a success.

Adult grand prizes include a family membership to a Chicago museum of your choice. Get ready to **Read on the Wild Side** this summer at Bloomington Public Library!



## Book Discussion News

Do you find that your book group never talks about the book? Consider joining a book group at the Library. We even provide the refreshments! We offer three book discussion groups at the Library, so you are sure to find one that fits your reading tastes. Newcomers are always welcome. Books are available at the Circulation Desk approximately one month before the meeting. If you have any questions about any of these groups, call the Reference Desk at (630) 924-2730.

### Adult Book Group

Meets on the third Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 18  
*To the Lighthouse*  
by Virginia Woolf

Thursday, July 16  
*The Quiet Girl*  
by Peter Høeg

### Historical Book Group

Meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, June 2  
*Ghost Mountain Boys: Their Epic March and Terrifying Battle for New Guinea*  
by James Campbell

Tuesday, July 7  
*3 Seconds: Look Back at the Kent State Shootings*  
by Philip Caputo

### Mystery Mavens

Meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

No meeting in June

Wednesday, July 15  
*Grime and Punishment*  
by Jill Churchill



# Adult Services Programs

All programs are free and open to everyone, unless otherwise noted. To register, please call the Adult Services Desk at (630) 924-2730, online at [www.mybpl.org](http://www.mybpl.org) or in person.

## Ask the Master Gardener Help Desk

Saturday, June 6  
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Are your thoughts turning toward spring and dreams of a beautiful garden? Take the first step to making that backyard paradise a reality. Stop by the Library on June 6th between 10:00 a.m. and noon to have your gardening questions answered by a Master Gardener. Master Gardeners from the University of Illinois Extension are a group of volunteers trained by University of Illinois educators who will share their expertise by answering your gardening questions. They will have brochures, gardening fact sheets, and other pertinent information available. No appointment is necessary, just drop in.



## AARP Legal Checkup

Tuesday, June 9  
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Assessing one's fiscal health with an attorney can be as important as consulting a doctor about one's medical health. David Boone is a former State of Illinois Legislative Liaison and former member of the Asset Protection Committee of the Chicago Bar Association. He has designed a seminar to teach those approaching retirement and those already retired how to effectively protect their assets, avoid probate expenses, and distribute their estate to their heirs. Please register in person, online, or call the Adult Reference Desk at (630) 924-2730.



## Super-Couponing

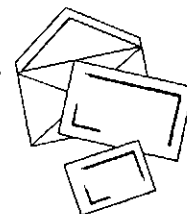
Monday, June 15  
6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Super-Couponing will change the way you shop. It combines the best techniques for following sales using newspaper and Internet coupons to their fullest advantage. Super-Couponer Jill Cataldo will teach you how to effectively use coupons to buy groceries for pennies on the dollar. You'll learn the secrets of the couponing professionals, the number one mistake most coupon users make, what products you will never have to pay for again, which stores allow "coupon stacking" for bigger savings, how you can use the Internet to find coupons, and how to get the stores to pay you to shop. Registration for this program is limited, and it has been a popular program at area libraries, so please register early to reserve your spot. Please register in person, online, or call the Adult Reference Desk at (630) 924-2730.

## Creating Thank You Cards for the Troops

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

People of all ages are invited to the Library to show your support of our troops by sending handmade cards to anonymous soldiers. Kathie Bakken of the Stamp Your Heart Out project will show you how to have some fun, while giving something back to the wonderful people who have put their lives on the line for us. Don't worry if you've never stamped before. Samples and instructions will be provided. All supplies will be provided; you supply the labor. We will be making thank you cards for our soldiers (which you may sign and include a personal note if you wish), and cards for the soldiers to send back to their loved ones at home. Please register in person, online, or call the Adult Reference Desk at (630) 924-2730.



## Two Views of Nature, Up Close and Personal

### Hiking the Appalachian Trail with Willie DiFabio

Tuesday, July 7  
6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Last spring, Willie DiFabio retired from his job and went on the adventure of a lifetime, hiking the Appalachian Trail. Come to the Library for a slide-show presentation of photographs from his trip and hear him talk about the challenges he faced, the people he met, and the lessons he learned during his seven month journey. Please register in person, online, or call the Adult Reference Desk at (630) 924-2730.

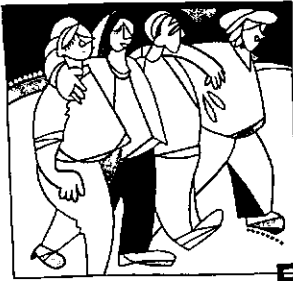
### Something's Wild: Africa's Big Game Preserves

Monday, July 27th  
6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Bring the family to view some of the world's greatest game preserves in Tanzania, East Africa, and in Botswana, and Southern Africa. World traveler Bill Helmuth will show his striking photographs and share unique stories of the "Big 5"; elephants, hippos, cape buffalos, lions, and leopards. Please register in person, online, or call the Adult Reference Desk at (630) 924-2730.







## Young Adult Spot

Open to Teens 7th–12th grades only, unless otherwise noted.

### Read on the *Wild Side*

**Bloomington Public Library**  
**Teen (7th–12th Grades) Summer Reading Program**  
**June 8 – August 1**

Teens are invited to **Read on the Wild Side** during the 2009 summer reading program! Registration begins on Monday, June 8, and the first day to check in your reading log is Monday, June 15.

Upon registration, you'll receive a reading log, booklist, pencil, and T-shirt (compliments of the Friends of the Bloomington Public Library). You'll also earn mini prizes for reading 6, 12, and 18 hours. For every 6 hours you read, you'll receive an entry in the grand prize drawing, so the more you read, the better your chances to win! Teens can also earn extra grand prize drawing tickets by reading from the **Read on the Wild Side** booklist, which features books and graphic novels on animals, fantastical/mythological animals, werewolves/shapeshifters, music, and adventure.

The grand prizes this year are \$25, \$50, and \$75 gift cards to Stratford Square Mall. All teen participants will also be eligible to win weekly prizes donated by local businesses.

Registration is limited to Bloomington residents. The Library would like to thank the many area businesses and organizations that have made donations for the Summer Reading Program.

Library website. Please turn in completed forms to the Reference Desk. During the June TAG meeting, we will be creating thank you cards for our troops.

### **Anime Marathon**

Friday, June 26  
1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
Registration limit: 25

Get ready for the Library's third Anime Marathon! Enjoy pizza and Pocky while watching anime films and series. Please register at the Reference Desk, by phone at (630) 924-2730, or online through the Library's calendar.

### **Anime Club**

No June Meeting (see Anime Marathon event)  
Wednesday, July 22  
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 Game Night**

Thursday, June 11  
Thursday, July 9  
6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Now with even more games! Rock out to Guitar Hero and Rock Band, battle in Super Smash Bros. Brawl, or show off your moves in Dance Dance Revolution! Bring your friends and enjoy free food. Registration not necessary, just stop on by!



the best cheese, sauce, crust, and overall taste. Please register at the Reference Desk, by phone at (630) 924-2730, or online through the Library's calendar.

### **Teen Advisory Group (TAG)**

Tuesday, June 23  
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
July Date TBA

Are you a teen with great ideas for the library, but you don't know where to start? 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

### **Sixth Annual Pizza Taste-Off**

Wednesday, June 17  
6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
Registration limit: 25

Judge pizza from local restaurants at the Library's Sixth Annual Pizza Taste-Off! Sample pizza and vote on

### **Mehndi – Henna Temporary Tattoos**

Friday, July 17  
2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Create your own beautiful temporary henna tattoos! Learn about the ancient art of Mehndi, while applying your customized henna designs. Registration not necessary, just drop in! Open to 4th–12th graders only.

Please be aware that your henna tattoos may take over a week to fade. Please do not attend this program if you have allergies to any of the following items: cajeput, wild orange, lemongrass essential oils, and lemon/citrus products.



## Super Smash Bros. Brawl Gaming Tournament

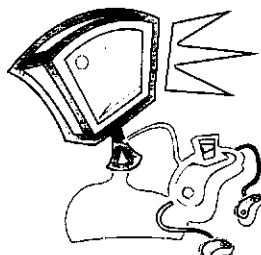
Saturday, July 25

11:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Registration Limit: 32

Get ready for intense action in the ultimate fighting championship! Defeat all challengers for a chance to win prizes. There will be three qualifying rounds, which will pit four players against one another in three stock lives, six minute matches. At the end of the qualifying rounds, players with the top sixteen scores will advance to the elimination rounds. (If the tournament is running behind, only the top 8 players will advance). Elimination rounds will be 2 player versus matches, seeded single bracket elimination. Each match will be 8 minutes with 3 stock lives.

For additional tournament rules and information, check the BPLGames blog on the Library's website. Please register at the Reference Desk, by phone at (630) 924-2730, or online through the Library's calendar. Open to 7th-12th graders only.



# Young Adult Spot

**Open to Teens 7th–12th grades only, unless otherwise noted.**

**BET YOU DIDN'T KNOW!**

The Local History Room at the Bloomingdale Public Library offers more than information about Bloomingdale history. We have many informative books and periodicals, as well as online resources, dealing with exploring the genealogies of many countries and cultures – all designed to help you search out your own unique family history. We have staff on hand to help aspiring genealogists get started and help seasoned genealogists get over that genealogical “brick wall.”

We also sponsor a Genealogy Club that meets on the fourth Thursday of every month. You can share your research and compare methodology with others, as well as learn new search tips.

For more information or to learn how easy it is to get started researching your family, please contact Leslie Drewitz in the Local History room at (630) 924-2765 or ldrewitz@mybpl.org. Visit the Local History room web page at [www.mybpl.org](http://www.mybpl.org) under “Our Community.”

## Dueler's Guild (Ages 9 and older)

Saturday, June 20

Saturday, July 18

1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

No registration required

The Dueler's Guild is a group for players of Collectible Card Games (CCG's) to learn, play, and socialize. We currently support Yu-Gi-Oh! and Magic: The Gathering, but players of all games are welcome to attend. There are no fees and membership is open to both residents and non-residents. All players ages 9 and up are welcome to join us.

## Open Game Night

**(All ages – Children under age 9 must be accompanied by a parent)**

Wednesday, June 24

Thursday, July 16

6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

No registration required

Need a night away from the TV? Looking for something different to do? Bring your friends and family to the Bloomingdale Public Library for a night of fun and games. For more information contact the Youth Services Department at (630) 924-2740.



## Summer Hours

The Library is now closed on Sundays for the summer. Regular Sunday hours will resume on September 13, 2009.

Monday – Thursday  
9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Friday & Saturday  
9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday  
CLOSED



## PEP Volunteers

How would you support your family without a high school diploma? How would you survive in the U.S. without a basic command of English? Be part of the answer! Join the College of DuPage People Educating People (PEP) Volunteers as a classroom tutor in an ESL, reading, or basic math class. You'll work once a week for two to three hours at one of our many sites. We'll equip you in a 12½-hour training on July 25 and August 1.

Interested? Call Joan Morris, PEP Coordinator, at (630) 942-3788. Don't wait! Registration ends June 22.



## COMPUTER CLASSES

### Computer Class Registration Guidelines:

Registration for computer classes will begin on Monday, June 1, in the Business Office of the Library. You must register in person.

A \$10.00 refundable deposit per class is required upon registration to hold your space for the class. We accept cash and checks only for computer class registrations. We regret we are unable to accept debit/credit cards.

There are no charges for the classes aside from the \$10.00 refundable deposit per class.

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 Computer Course

Date: Monday, June 29  
Tuesday, June 30  
Monday, July 6  
Tuesday, July 7  
Time: 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.  
Instructor: Sean

This four session course will provide the basic tools needed to use a computer. Getting comfortable with Windows and the mouse while learning about the Internet, email, word processing, and printing will be the primary focus. This course is intended for anyone, whether they're interested in refreshing old skills or have never touched a computer before. Much of the class will be devoted to questions and all topics will include hands-on practice.

No previous experience necessary. All four classes must be attended. Please do not register for this course if you are unable to attend all four classes. This course requires a \$40 deposit.

### Using the Internet

Date: Tuesday, June 9  
Time: 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.  
Instructor: Chris

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

### Using Email

Date: Monday, June 15  
Time: 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.  
Instructor: Sean

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

### Using the Internet 2

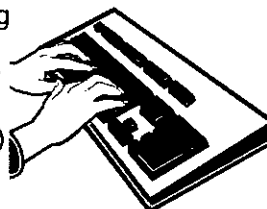
Date: Tuesday, June 16  
Time: 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.  
Instructor: Chris

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

### Using Email 2

Date: Monday, June 22  
Time: 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.  
Instructor: Sean

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



### Excel Formulas

Date: Wednesday, June 17  
Time: 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.  
Instructor: Sean

This class will focus on all aspects of creating formulas in Excel, from basic techniques 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.)

### Using Publisher

Date: Thursday, July 2  
Time: 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.  
Instructor: Chris

This desktop publishing program can be used to create newsletters, brochures, cards, banners, etc. This class will cover basic techniques needed to create professional publications. (Having taken Introduction to Microsoft Word is recommended.)

### Facebook, Twitter, and Social Networking

Date: Wednesday, July 15  
Time: 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.  
Instructor: Sean

Want to learn more about popular websites like Facebook & Twitter? Students will learn the basics of creating accounts, finding and communicating with friends, interacting with live broadcasts, and becoming a part of larger social groups. Nothing beyond a basic comfort with the Internet & email is required.

### Virus/Spyware Protection

Date: Thursday, July 30  
Time: 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.  
Instructor: Chris

This course will examine the problems Spyware causes to computers by viruses, pop-ups, and other malicious programs, while discussing ways to avoid and remove them if necessary.



# Bloomington Park District

June 09 - July 09

where recreation revolves around you.

## For summer fun the whole family will flip for!

### Hours

#### Mango Bay Play Pool

Monday-Friday  
11:30AM\*-8:00PM

Sat & Sun  
11:30AM\*-7:00PM

#### Otter Island Sprayground

Monday-Friday  
11:30AM\*-8:00PM

Sat & Sun  
2:00-7:00PM

#### 'Cuda Cove Competitive Pool

Monday/Wednesday/Friday 1:00-8:00PM  
Tuesday/Thursday 1:00-6:00PM  
Sat & Sun 11:30AM\*-7:00PM

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

## Oasis Season Passes

Enjoy unlimited visits all summer long with our Oasis 2009 Season Pass. A family is considered two designated adults & all children under the age of 21 residing in the same household. An individual season pass may be purchased for nephews, nieces, cousins, aunts, uncles, grandchildren, grandparents, and babysitters, non-resident rates will apply. One guest pass may be purchased along with a season pass.

- Renew your 2008 pass online, or purchase a 2009 pass online.
- 2008 pass pictures don't need to be re-taken.
- New 2009 passes will require a pass picture to be taken at the JRC prior to entering The Oasis.

	R/NR
Individual	\$105/155
Family 2	\$139/189
Family 3	\$145/195
Family 4	\$149/199
Family 5	\$155/205
Family 6 or more	\$159/209

*Reserve your own private Oasis!*



Every Monday at 7pm

A different challenge awaits you every week.

Come join us to see if you can survive the challenge!

Visit [www.bloomingtonparks.org](http://www.bloomingtonparks.org) for more information.



170 S. Circle  
630.539.3095

### Attractions Include:

- 'Cuda Cove - 8-lane Competitive Pool
- Pineapple Plunge - drop slide, 1-meter & 3-meter diving boards
- Mango Bay - zero-depth entry leisure pool
- Typhoon Tunnel - 110' speed slide
- Tropical Twister - 160' open-air thrill slide
- Other play features include geysers, sprayers, spilling buckets, and a brand new Nautical Spinnaker!
- Otter Island - Interactive water playground



See our website for more information on these programs.  
[www.bloomingtonparks.org](http://www.bloomingtonparks.org)

- Swim Lessons
- Private Lessons
- Swim/Dive Team
- Jr. Lifeguarding
- Jr. Swim Instructor
- Diving Lessons
- Aquasize
- Adult & Teen Swim Lessons
- Little Squirts
- Splash Camp
- SuperStar Swim Camp
- Special Events



Bloomington  
Park District

## Upcoming events

### Statewide Kite Fly

Join the fun of kite flying and brighten up our Bloomington skies!

Don't miss sharing the joy of flight with your kids. There will be a variety of fun things to do including: contests, raffles, a moonwalk, kite decorating, concessions, and a mass kite launch to begin the event! This is a free event; however some attractions will require a fee. Pre-registration is encouraged. The first 100 children, ages 12 and younger to pre-register for this event will receive a free t-shirt. Pre-register at the JRC. Kite flyers should bring their own kite to this event.

The Statewide Kite Fly is sponsored by the Illinois Association of Park Districts to raise awareness of the Park District Youth License Plate Flying 4 Kids program. Information about the license plate Flying 4 Kids program will be available the day of the event.

**Saturday, May 30**  
**10:00am - 12:00pm - Springfield Park**  
**Code# 20460747**

### Grand Opening

The Plaza at Springfield Park  
**Saturday, May 30th - 9:45am**

(Adjacent to Erickson Elementary School)

The NEW Plaza at Springfield Park features: Handicap-accessible picnic/game tables, a large shade structure with benches, Bean Bags Toss Courts, Horseshoe Pit Areas, Bocce Ball Courts, and a six-hole Disc Golf Course. Join us for the grand opening! There'll be plenty of fun activities: Sign up for our family bags tournament, a disc golf challenge or join us for the Statewide Kite Fly after the dedication.

Refreshments will be served.

Ribbon Cutting/Dedication 9:45am

Bags Tournament starts at 10:30am

Disc Golf Challenge 11:00am-12:00pm

Statewide Kite Fly 10:00am-12:00pm

Register at the Johnston Rec. Center at  
 172 S. Circle Avenue or online at [BloomingtonParks.org](http://BloomingtonParks.org)!

# PICNIC KITS

#### Backyard Kit

Volleyball Net  
 Volleyball  
 1 Bat  
 1 14" Mush ball  
 Bases  
 1 Playground ball  
 2 Jump ropes  
 2 Hula Hoops  
 2 Frisbees  
 Rental Fee: \$35

**Disc Golf Kit**  
 2 Disc Golf Sets  
 Rental Fee: \$9.00

#### Plaza Kit

Horse Shoes Set  
 2 Disc Golf Sets  
 Bags Set  
 Bocce Ball Set  
 Rental Fee: \$45

#### Bocce Kit

Bocce Ball Set  
 Rental Fee: \$15

Picnic Kits are available for rental for your family picnic or party. Check below for the variety of kits available to fit your needs. Picnic Kits can be rented for five days with a Friday pick up and a return time of the following Wednesday.

Picnic Kits are designed for use with The Plaza at Springfield Park or for your own backyard family picnic or party. To reserve your kit stop by the Johnston Recreation Center to complete the reservation form. A security deposit is due at time of reservation. For additional information call the Bloomington Park District at (630) 529-3650



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## Live at the Oasis

VINO ZATTO

June 14 at 7:30pm

**Bloomington Park  
District presents**



with VITO ZATTO

**Sunday, June 14, 2009  
7:30pm**



**Saturday, June 20th  
Old Town Park**

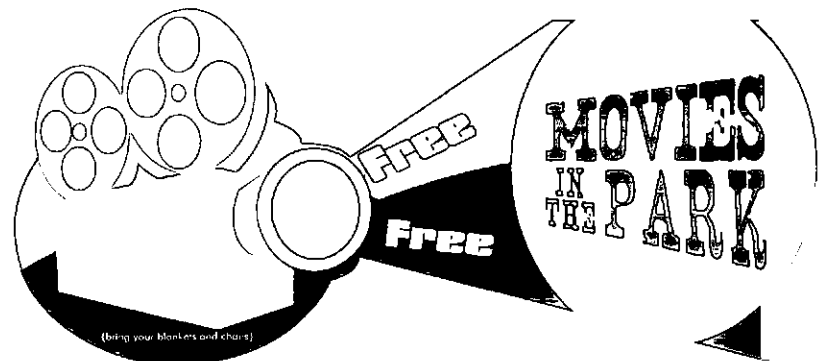
Is your child fascinated with trucks and large equipment? Come climb, sit, and play on a variety of trucks that will be displayed at Old Town Park. Parental supervision is required for this event.

Age: All

Day: Saturday, June 20th

Time: 10am-12:30pm

Fee: Admission is free; however some attractions and refreshments will require a fee.



## FEATURED FILMS

Old Town Park  
8:30pm

Friday, June 19:

Madagascar 2

Rated PG

Friday, July 10:

The Tale of Despereaux

Rated PG

# FAMILY FUN PICNICS

Get your family and friends together and enjoy a relaxing evening picnicking in our parks. Food is not provided so please bring your own goodies. Entertainment will be provided and families can participate in family games during the first half hour. Some picnic tables will be available or families can bring their own blankets. This is a free event!

**Time: 6:30-8:00pm**

**Monday, June 15 - Rick Kelley: Keyboard Musician - Indian Lakes Park**

**Monday, July 13 - Dr. Gesundheit Clown Therapy Show: Comedy, Juggler, and Dance - Sunnyside Park**

**Monday, August 10 - Jodi Koplin: Jigglejam Show-Musician - Seasons 4 Park**



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## Branson Show Trip Extravaganza

Come join us and Diamond Tours to get the chance to see 7 fabulous Branson Shows! We will be traveling from Monday, October 12 thru Friday, October 16. For an incredible value of \$584 per person (non-residents are \$624.00 per person) prices are based on double occupancy. For this great price, you will receive the following:

- Motor coach transportation (video-equipped, restrooms, overhead storage, bus is guaranteed to be younger than 3 years old) to and from the

Bloomington Park District.

- 4 nights of lodging, including 4 consecutive nights in Branson
- 8 meals including : 4 breakfasts and 4 dinners
- Admission to seven Fabulous Branson Shows which include
  - The Brett Family Show,
  - The Twelve Irish Tenors
  - The Baldknobbers Jamboree Show.
  - Lee Greenwood and The Bellamy Brothers,
  - The Hughes Brothers
  - The Red Hot and Blue Show
  - The Showboat Branson Belle
- And much more!



Your detailed itinerary is available at the Bloomington Park District front office and online at [www.bloomingtonparks.org](http://www.bloomingtonparks.org). A \$75.00 deposit is due upon registration, and PLEASE NOTE: that amount is non-refundable after September 28 2009. Trip cancellation insurance is available and encouraged to offer you protection should you need to cancel after September 28, 2009. FINAL PAYMENT is due on August 5, 2009. Information on the insurance is distributed along with the detailed itinerary at the Bloomington Park District front office. Diamond Tours, Inc. will greet the group at the various destinations, and then proceed with guiding the tours. A park district representative will assist in managing the trip.

**Travel dates: October 12-16**

### Fees:

- Single:** \$704 Resident per person  
\$744 Non Resident per person
- Double:** \$584.00 Resident per person  
\$624 Non Resident per person
- Triple:** \$564 Resident per person  
\$604 Non Resident per person

Min/Max 24/34

Code # 403252-A1

### A Tribute to Duke Ellington

Widely considered one of America's greatest composers, the "Duke" is to jazz what Beethoven is to classical. His compositions are as phenomenal to listen to today as they were when he wrote them. Don't miss this one! Also included are a complimentary CD and chances to win special giveaway prizes at the show! Registration deadline is July 3, 2009.

**Bus departs from: JRC Parking Lot**

**Instructor: Staff**

**MIN/MAX: 7/10**

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	F	12:45-05:00P	08/14	\$25/30	403254-A1

### Cabaret Show and Lunch

Set in the sexy, sultry Kit Kat Klub, in late 1920's Berlin, Cabaret is a provocative tale of love and war. A thrilling and decadent masterpiece and edgy political commentary, Cabaret has long been considered one of the best musicals of all time. Upon registration, please indicate your choice of entree: either Chicken Breast Marsala, or Tilapia. Registration deadline is July 22, 2009.

Show playing at Drury Lane Theater in Oak Brook.

**Bus departs from: JRC Parking Lot**

**Instructor: Staff**

**MIN/MAX: 7/10**

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	W	10:45-04:45P	08/26	\$49/54	403251-A1

### Cabaret Lunch Cruise

Come join us on a wonderful Cabaret Lunch Cruise in the lovely downtown Chicago. Sit back, dance, or sing along with our dynamic cabaret singers as they perform everything from sing-along show tunes to Jazz standards. A lunch buffet is provided. Buffet includes a variety of salads, entrees, sides, desserts, and much more. Fee includes the ticket, lunch, entertainment, and transportation. Registration deadline is June 28, 2009.

**Location: JRC Parking Lot**

**Instructor: Staff**

**MIN/MAX: 5/14**

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	Tu	10:00-04:30P	07/28-07/28	\$59/64	403249-A1

### Chicago Chocolate Tour

Calling all chocolate lovers! If you are a chocolate lover then this trip is for you! Join us and enjoy a wonderful chocolate tour on the Magnificent Mile and the Gold Coast in downtown Chicago. We will stop at 6 different chocolate and pastry shops to learn more about chocolate and of course lots of taste tasting! The bus will drop us off at 11:00am in front of the Bloomington's Building located at 900 N. Michigan Avenue. Lunch is on your own and will need to be taken before the tour. The tour will start at 1:00pm. Fee includes the tour and transportation. Registration deadline is July 21, 2009.

**Location: JRC Parking Lot**

**Instructor: Staff**

**MIN/MAX: 5/14**

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	F	10:00-04:30P	08/21-08/21	\$45/50	403250-A1



=low



=moderate



=high

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

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

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

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

## 'Tip a Cop' Raises \$2,500 For Special Olympics

In April, Bloomingdale Police Officers worked with the staff from Red Robin Restaurant serving great food and beverages for a "Tip A Cop" event. Together they were able to raise awareness, as well as \$2,525 to benefit Illinois Special Olympics, including a \$500 contribution from Kohl's Department Store. The Bloomingdale Police Department thanks Kohls for its support, as well as thanks the managers and staff of Red Robin Restaurant for hosting the event and the public for their generosity and support of Special Olympic activities.



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## POSTAL PATRON LOCAL BLOOMINGDALE, ILLINOIS 60108

### Arbor Day at DuJardin School

On April 24, DuJardin students planted a Baldcypress tree on the school grounds in honor of Arbor Day. In the top photo, Zachary Okolita, president of DuJardin's Student Council, said a few words about Arbor Day before the students finished planting the tree.



## Volunteer Tree Planting 2009, Bloomingdale Style!



The annual Volunteer tree planting event on April 25 brought out residents, as well as employees and family members.

