



Village of Bloomingdale

Almanac

Growth with Pride

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Tree planting
program -
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OCTOBER 2007

From the Desk of Mayor Bob Iden

The Village of Bloomingdale is very proud to be rolling out its new and improved website. Village employees Kay Argo, Carol Dublin, Mary Ellen Johnson, Helen Price, Sandy Raucci, Jackie Slater, and John Spikes, led by Assistant Village Administrator Barb Weber have been working on this project for several months. The result is a visually pleasing, user friendly website with simple navigation to useful information for residents, businesses, and visitors.

The new site also features a business section, including a Dining Directory and Shopping Directory, as well as information for and about our local businesses. Businesses - read about the B-card - a village-wide marketing project put together by the Business Promotion & Cultural Development Committee. It's free to Bloomingdale businesses - check it out on page 5!

Another feature that will appeal to residents is a Community Calendar. Organizations can contact Mary Ellen Johnson, Almanac editor at johnsonm@vil.bloomingdale.il.us with their meetings and special events for inclusion on the Village website's Calendar of Events. Mark the subject line "Community Calendar." The address for the new website is www.villageofbloomingdale.org

As I mentioned in the August issue, because of the substantial increase in housing construction (school enrollment, etc.) since the 2000 census, the Village of Bloomingdale has authorized the United State Bureau of the Census to conduct a Special Census in our community. Special Census workers will visit all residents residing in areas of our community constructed since the 2000 census, specifically: Alden Horizon, Bloomingdale Walk (Town homes), Casa Bella Estates, Dartmoor, East Gate, Los Lagos, Medinah Groves, Medinah Meadows, Lori Ct., Rosedale Estates, Seven Oaks Estates, Sunrise Assisted Living, Villas of Thornfield, and Villa Veneto.

The Special Census is important to all residents of Bloomingdale because it will increase reimbursed funds from the State of Illinois based on the number of people who reside in our Village. Special Census workers will be wearing red, white and blue badges and are required to contact all residents in the survey area both personally and by telephone. They will work in the evenings and on Saturdays. The Special Census questions are brief (compared to the regular census), and should only take a few minutes to answer. Questions regarding name, sex, race, age and marital status will be asked of each member of your household. All information obtained will only be used for the purpose of the Special Census. Furthermore, all information is absolutely confidential under the United State Code, Title 13. No other government agency, IRS, BFI, CIS, Welfare, Immigration or our local government, can obtain your individual responses. Moreover, the information cannot and will not be used for any municipal code enforcement.

Your cooperation with the Special Census is greatly appreciated and necessary for a fair and accurate count of Bloomingdale residents. Any questions concerning the Special Census should be directed to Barb Weber, Assistant Village Administrator. (630) 671-5613.

Mayor Bob Iden



Some of the eight Septemberfest Scholarship winners were able to take part in the parade. Seated on the back (l to r): Tanya Prabhaker, Laura Yeakey, Lauren Szramiak; front seat, Taryn Tawonda; standing, Sara Macejik.

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

**VILLAGE OF BLOOMINGDALE
ELECTED OFFICIALS**

Robert G. Iden
Village President

Susan L. Bartucci
Village Clerk

TRUSTEES

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

Robert Czernek
Traffic and Street Infrastructure

John Dabrowski
Police and Community Relations

Judi Von Huben
*Intergovernmental Relations and
Emergency Planning*

Bill Bolen
*Finance, Personnel and
Administration*

Jim King
Facilities and Golf Course

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

If you're "surf the net" and have a question to ask an issue to bring our attention, just mail it to us. If you wish to send us an electronic message, our address is:



VILLAGE.BLOOMINGDALE@world-net.att.net

Our website address is:
www.villageofbloomingdale.org

The deadline for
the December issue
of the
Almanac is
NOVEMBER 10

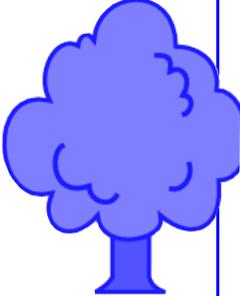
Hang Some History on Your Tree

Hang a piece of history on your tree this holiday season. The Bloomingdale Historical Society is selling ornaments that feature a vintage etching of the Old School (located at Lake & Third streets) at Christmas. The original ink and watercolor was drawn by resident and artist Diane Duffy. The historical group is pleased to offer this nostalgic look at a Bloomingdale landmark as Bloomingdale prepares to celebrate its 175th birthday in 2008. The 3 1/4 inch shatterproof ornament has a white satin finish and sells for \$6.00. The ornaments will be available at the Bloomingdale Village Hall and the Bloomingdale Public Library after November 1, and at the Bloomingdale Park District Museum during the holiday exhibit November 10 through December 20.



2007 Fall Branch Collection Program Begins October 15

Kramer Tree Specialists, Inc. will once again perform branch collection under the direction of the Village Forestry Division. Branch collection will begin on Monday, October 15th. 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, October 15.
- 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 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. 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.

LOOK WHAT WE DID!

The 35th annual Septemberfest celebration thanked Mother Nature once again. Not even the weatherman could cool down this Saturday event. Gloria Tomaras started off the Fest with the annual parade at 11 AM - 526 walkers, 9 floats, and 48 vehicles participated in this year's parade. The opening ceremony began with three young ladies from the Bloomingdale School of Music singing our National Anthem. Mark Garrison was able to convince 35 cyclists to participate in this year's motorcycle show with awards being presented for Best Softtail Custom, Best Hardtail Custom, Best Paint, Best Antique, and of course, Best of Show.



Our car show, thanks to Marilyn Zaccardi, had 38 participants who started arriving as early as 10:30 AM to participate in the Parade. The final judging was at 5 PM and all winners were announced at 5:30 PM with each winner telling a little bit about their particular vehicle. (Funny how people look at you when asked to speak into a microphone.) This show also presented the difference between men and boys (the price of their toys) as the "Best of Show" car was a lifelong project that cost over a hundred and fifty thousand dollars to assemble. Vendors selling everything from newspapers to ice cream could be found along Third and Franklin Streets. Jewelry, Hot Dogs, Pizza, Gyros, Dip and Dots, Hamburgers, and liquid refreshments were available thanks to the work of all our committee members. Special thanks to Jackie Lic who came out of retirement to help get everything in place and ready to go with vendor booths.

On stage we always have a lot of things going on. This year was no exception. M & R Music provided the DJ work, plus color highlights of all the various events, Hoola Hoop contests and a pie eating contest by the Chamber of Commerce allowed participation from some of the audience. Bloomingdale Park District Beamers performing Gymnastic and Drill Team routines, Lake Park High School Lancettes doing cheerleading exhibitions and the Center Stage Dance Company performing a variety of dances provided early afternoon entertainment. This year we also had Frank Birdsall, a trick bicycle performer showing what a whole lot of practice is all about. (And I thought bicycles were for riding) All of this was coordinated by Jill Mixer who was able to attend this year. We appreciate all of her good work. Thanks, Jill.



But, the most important part of the whole evening was put together by Carole Lockhart, the presentation of our eight scholarship winners. Candidates were able to participate by filling out a scholarship application form. They were required to submit two letters of recommendation, provide an essay with a minimum of 500 words, and have an interview with a panel of judges. The eight scholarship winners were Tanya Prabhaker, Sara Michelle Macejik, Lauren Szramiak, Taryn Tawonda, Michelle A. Calvario, Emily Noonan, Laura Yeakey and Scott Sasser. To each of them, we cannot tell you enough how proud we are of your accomplishments. Each winner will receive from \$500 to \$2,000 in scholarship monies from the Joe Draghi Memorial Scholarship Fund.

I personally would like to thank all of our Village Service employees and our Police officers, especially Randy Petersen, Len Jaster, Bob Maguire, and Vern Fasse for all of their hard work and assistance. These people were instrumental in providing traffic and crowd control, as well as other necessary essentials needed for such an event. Let us not forget the Bloomingdale Fire Protection District for providing medical services throughout the entire day.

Last, but by no means least, nothing would have been possible without the help and support of our Mayor, Village Trustees, Dolores Orlik, Jo Witucki, Dan Davis, John Dabrowski, Mitch Frumkin and Carol Dublin. To all the participants who came out and enjoyed the day with us, thank you. A special thanks goes out to all of the sponsors and supporters who donated monetarily to Scholarships Fund for our future recipients. In closing, thank you for giving me the opportunity to participate in and be a part of this annual event. It was an experience that I will never forget! Looking forward to the 36th Septemberfest on September 6, 2008. Bring a friend!

Bill Wolff, Chairman

See more pictures and sponsors on back page.



This is the Best Business Opportunity in Bloomingdale in 175 Years!



B - Card
Buy Bloomingdale

Valid March 7-16, 2008 at participating Bloomingdale businesses

In recognition of the 175th anniversary of the founding of Bloomingdale (March 11, 2008), and to further encourage Bloomingdale residents and workers to ***Shop Bloomingdale***, the Business Promotion & Cultural Development Committee has developed a community-wide program for Bloomingdale businesses, called the B-Card. The B-Card program will allow businesses to offer a special promotion or discount to all Bloomingdale residents through the use of a “B” (as in Bloomingdale) Card. This special B-Card promotion will be available to residents at participating businesses for a limited time, from March 7 through March 16, 2008.

All the business needs to do is decide what promotion, (i.e. 20 percent off, Buy one, get one free, \$5 off a \$25 dollar purchase, etc) it wants to do. The committee will create and disseminate the B-Card through the Almanac and selected locations, as well as create a small placard for your business window to let customers know you are a participating business.

If you are interested, call Mary Ellen at the Village Hall, 671-5600 to get an application to participate or complete the application on the Village’s website at **www.villageofbloomingdale.org** Once your business information is entered, a confirmation placard will be emailed to your business for display in your window.

The 10-day promotion will be advertised through the Almanac, on the Village’s new and improved website, (debuting in October) and through other local media. In February, 2008, a list of participating businesses and their corresponding promotions will be published.

Before winter arrives . . .

Residents are requested to inspect mailboxes and posts to ensure sturdiness and compliance with the postal service installation requirements, and correct any problem identified. If you have questions as to whether or not your mailbox is in compliance with Village requirements, you may contact the Village Services Department – Street Maintenance Division at 671-5800.

Also, if ornamental rocks or planters are used for landscape beautification, residents need to ensure that they are a minimum of three feet in back of the curb or pavement on non-curb streets. If deemed necessary for safe snow removal operations, these obstacles will be removed by the Village.



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Autumn Blaze Maple

2008 Tree Planting Program

The Village Board has again allocated funds for this very successful program which was started in 1982. For the ninth year, additional funds have been included for business/commercial properties. The program provides trees, including planting, at a 50/50 cost sharing with the Village. The trees will be planted next Spring and are available for street parkways, residential

front yards and business/school/commercial properties. Business/school/commercial properties that wish to participate should contact Jim Johnson, Urban Forester, at 630-671-5804.

The following are the guidelines of the program:

- Since the budget is limited, the program will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Requests should be submitted by December 1, 2007. No payment is required at this time. Bills will be sent about February 1, 2008.
- Trees will be 2 1/2 inch caliper, unless stated otherwise. Trees will be quality nursery stock but not specimen plants.
- The Village reserves the right to disapprove requests based on conflicts, safety, or proper spacing.
- Removal of dead trees, stumps and/or large roots is not included and must be performed by participants before March 15th.
- Each residential parcel will be limited to two trees per year. Each business/commercial property will be limited to four trees per year.
- Participants will be given the opportunity to mark the desired location for the tree; however, the Village retains the right to change the location, if necessary.
- We anticipate the cost of 2 1/2" caliper trees to be between \$250 and \$350 each, with the



Greenspire Linden

Village paying half of the amount.

Trees will be guaranteed for one year. Participants are responsible for all watering which will be described in instructions furnished by the Village.

For trees to be planted in the public parkway, this application will serve as the permit requirements of the ordinance regulating trees on public areas.

If further information is desired, contact Jim Johnson, Urban Forester, at 630-671-5804.



Norway Spruce

2008 Tree Planting Program — Residential Request Form

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ WORK PHONE: _____

PLANTING ADDRESS: _____

Indicate the number of each type desired:
(limit of two trees per residential parcel per year)

PARKWAY

_____ **Canada Red Cherry** (*Prunus virginiana* 'Schubert')

Also known as Schubert Chokecherry. Leaves emerge bright green in the spring, eventually turning a deep reddish purple. Fruitless variety; white 3"-6" flowers clusters in spring. Tree has a dense, pyramidal to oval shape, and grayish bark. Mature height is 20' to 30'; mature width is 15' to 20'.

_____ **Norway Maple 'Deborah'** (*Acer platanoides* 'Deborah')

Vigorous newer selection. Attractive maroon-red spring foliage, turning to dark bronze-green then dark bronze-yellow in the fall. Matures to 45' in height and 40' in width.

_____ **Autumn Blaze Maple** (*Acer x freemanii* 'Autumn Blaze')

A tree that lives up to its name, it exhibits brilliant and long lasting orange-red fall color. It combines the best characteristics of the Red and Silver Maples. Grows moderately to fast with a mature height of 40 to 50 feet.

_____ **Red Oak** (*Quercus rubra*)

Unique among the landscape oaks because of its rounded habit. Grows 60' to 70' tall. Deeply lobed, dark green leaves in summer change to red in fall.

_____ **Greenspire™ Linden** (*Tilia cordata* 'Greenspire')

This littleleaf Linden is distinctly pyramidal in youth, becoming pyramidal-rounded with age. Creamy yellow fragrant flowers in June; dark green leaves turn golden-yellow in the fall. At maturity it can reach 50' in height.

FRONT YARD

_____ **Canada Red Cherry**

_____ **Norway Maple 'Deborah'**

_____ **Autumn Blaze Maple**

_____ **Red Oak**

_____ **Greenspire™ Linden**

_____ **Norway Spruce** (*Picea abies*)

A large evergreen coniferous tree, 40 to 60 feet tall at maturity, with graceful drooping branches. Mature cones are 4 to 6 inches long, the longest of any spruce. Cones are light green, turning medium brown at maturity.

_____ **Pink Princess™ Crabapple** (*Malus 'Parsi'*)

Rose pink flowers, purple-red leaves and deep red, persistent fruits (1/4") distinguish this naturally dwarf form of Sargent Crabapple. Tree shape is low and spreading, to eventual height of 8' and spread of 12'.



Norway Maple 'Deborah'

DELIVER OR SEND TO:
DEPARTMENT OF VILLAGE SERVICES, BLOOMINGDALE VILLAGE HALL
201 S. BLOOMINGDALE ROAD, BLOOMINGDALE, IL 60108
Deadline is December 1, 2007

EVENTS

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CHARACTER COUNTS! sm Celebration Night!

The whole community is invited to Celebration Night in Old Town Park on Tuesday, October 16 for fun and entertainment. Don't miss this great event and your chance to show your support of the Six Pillars. This year's theme is "In This World Together." The fun begins at 7:00pm.



The Bloomingdale CHARACTER COUNTS! Coalition will be collecting supplies for our Troops in Iraq and Afghanistan. Please bring your donations to the Celebration Night in front of the main stage. Donations may also be dropped off at the Johnston Recreation Center or Bloomingdale Public Library beginning October 1.

Handwritten letters and drawings for the Troops are always welcome!

Food Items: (Please do not send any chocolate)

Juice boxes	Snack bars	Candy (especially lifesavers)
Granola Bars	Power Bar	Cookies (chewy type)
Brownies (no frosting)	Dried fruit & nuts	Individual Oatmeal packets
Popcorn (popped & microwave packs)		Processed Cheese & Crackers
Instant Coffee, coffee singles, cocoa, tea bags		Powdered Creamer
Sugar packets	Sweetened Kool-Aid	Beef Jerky
Canned Vienna sausages	Canned Corned Beef	Spam
Canned Tuna	Canned Ravioli	Spaghettios
Peanut butter	Individual size canned fruit	

Personal Items

Shaving Cream	Skin Care products	Shampoo
Body wash	Dental Floss	Deodorant
Toothpaste	Toothbrushes	Chap Stick
Visine	Foot Powder	Baby wipes or Cleansing wipes
Soft Toilet Paper	Hand lotion	Feminine products
Foot Powder		

Misc. General Items

AA batteries	AAA batteries	9 volt batteries
LED batteries	White Socks	Disposable Cameras
Paperback books (recent publications)		DVDs of current movies

CHARACTER COUNTS!sm in Bloomingdale!

Stepping Stones Dinner & Auction on October 12

Friday, October 12 marks the 5th Annual Dinner and Auction for Stepping Stones. All Aboard the S.S. Empress, Empress Banquets, 200 E. Lake Street in Addison. Come sail the night away to support women of domestic violence. Tickets are \$75 per person. For more information, check out

<http://www.stepsstonesroselle.org>

A Senior Moment News Especially for Seniors

Lake Park High School invites all senior citizens living within the District 108 boundaries to become members of our Distinguished Citizens program. Seniors are invited to monthly fine arts events at the school, including the Holiday Breakfast and Craft Fair in December and a luncheon and the musical "Oklahoma" in May.

The first event of the school year is a reception and fall band concert which will be held the evening of Wednesday, October 10. Activities are free-of-charge to all qualified participants. Itasca Bank & Trust Co. is a generous sponsor of this community program.

If you're interested in becoming a Lake Park Distinguished Citizen, please call the Lake Park High School Community Relations department at 295-5402.

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Come to District 13 Educational Foundation's Oktoberfest on October 12

Bloomington School District 13's Educational Foundation sponsors "Oktoberfest," a Beer & Wine Tasting event on Friday, October 12 from 6:30 – 9 pm. at Bloomington Golf Club, 181 Glen Ellyn Road. The charity benefit raises money for the students in District 13. Twice yearly, the Foundation awards grants to teachers for projects and learning materials to enhance the regular school curriculum.

A variety of beers and wines will be available for purchase. Hot and cold hors d'oeuvres will be served. Raffles also available. A \$50 donation per ticket is requested and is tax deductible. Call Mike at 630-894-8500 or email ticketsales@chicagolegal.com to purchase tickets.

Incarnation Church Hosting Annual Halloween Pumpkin Patch Starting on October 14

Beginning October 14, Incarnation Church, 261 W. Army Trail Road, hosts its annual Halloween Pumpkin Patch. Hours: Weekdays 4-7 pm & Weekends Noon – 8. Most of the funds earned from pumpkin sales go to the Navaho Indian reservation in New Mexico. A small portion goes for Incarnation's Outreach programs including food pantries and help for transitioning families. The Pumpkin Patch is open through October 31st



Villagers Club Hosting 'Armchair Safari' on November 1

The Villagers Club of Bloomington features "Beauty and the Beast," An Armchair Look at a South African Safari on Thursday, November 1 at the Bloomington Public Library. The evening begins at 6:30 pm at the Bloomington Public Library, 101 Fairfield Way. All are invited.

Find that Perfect Holiday Gift at St. Paul's Arts & Crafts Sale On November 10

St. Paul's annual Art & Craft sale will be held on Saturday, November 10 from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm. Crafts available include everyday items and many holiday items, as well as baked goods, fashion and decorating accessories. St Paul's is located at 118 First Street. Admission is free. Coffee, donuts and a light lunch are available for sale. For more information call 980-9196 weekdays from 9 am to noon.

Episcopal Church of the Incarnation Celebrating 25th Anniversary

The Episcopal Church of the Incarnation, 261 W. Army Trail Road, is celebrating its 25th anniversary in the Village of Bloomington. In honor of this occasion, they will be hosting the following two events:

- ❑ 25th Anniversary Eucharist and Dinner Celebration at 2pm, November 18, 2007
- ❑ 25th Anniversary Celebration Advent/Christmas Concert -- Flute and harp concert featuring Christmas music on December 2, 2007 (time to be announced)

Anyone interested in either of these events can call the church at 351-3249 or check the website www.churchofincarnation.org

Bloomington VFW Sponsoring 'Voice of Democracy' Scholarships

The Bloomington VFW Post 7539 is offering two scholarships. The "Voice of Democracy" audio essay contest about "My Role in Honoring America's Veterans," offers a \$500 prize (or \$1000 US Savings Bond). The Voice of Democracy is a national audio essay program for our nation's high school students, which annually provides more than \$3 million in college scholarships and incentives to 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th graders across the nation. The winner is eligible for district and possibly state and national prizes.

"Patriot's Pen" gives 6th, 7th and 8th grade students the opportunity to express their opinion on "Why I Am an American Patriot," and improve their writing skills, while they compete for worthwhile awards and prizes. Winner of the VFW 7539 Post prize will receive a check for \$100. Department (state) winners compete for \$70,000 in U.S. Savings Bonds at the national level with the winner receiving a \$10,000 U.S. Savings Bond during the VFW/Ladies Auxiliary Community Service Conference in Washington, D.C., in March each year.

For details and more information, go to www.vfw7539.org and click on the appropriate contest. Submission deadline is November 1st.

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Did You Know?

Bloomingtondale is home to one of the five Central DuPage Hospital Convenient Care Centers. With extended hours and walk-in service, the Convenient Care Centers of Central DuPage Hospital are a resource for those times when you can't plan ahead to get to the doctor. For example:

- Minor injury or illness that needs a doctor's attention but doesn't demand the higher-intensity care of the Emergency Room.
- Treatment for people who don't have access to their primary physician
- Medical care after standard business hours, including evenings, weekends and some holidays.
- Walk-in Services include medical care without an appointment, as well as lab tests and x-rays on-site. Mammography and bone density testing do require an appointment which can be made by calling centralized scheduling at (630) 933-5000.

The center is staffed by board-certified physicians, registered nurses and certified technicians. Care for both adults and children is available.

Stratford Convenient Care
235 Gary Avenue
(630)893-9600

Hours:

Monday – Friday 7:30 am – 8:30 pm
Sat & Sun 8:00 am – 6:00 pm

Holidays:

Memorial Day 7:30 am – 8:30 pm
Fourth of July 7:30 am – 4:00 pm
Labor Day 7:30 am – 8:30 pm

AFA Hall of Famer

The American Football Association will be holding its annual Semi Pro Football Hall of Fame banquet and Semi Pro Alumni Club meetings during December in Sarasota, Florida. Among the presenters will be resident **Roman E. Strzala**, an AFA Semi Pro Football Hall of Famer - Class of 2002 and Midwest Director of the American Football Association. Started in 1980, the AFA honors players, coaches and officials who made extraordinary contributions to Semi Pro Football.

Personal Care & Quality Service at Bloomingdale Pharmacy

Founded and family-owned by the Thies family since 1979, Bloomingdale Pharmacy, 156 S. Bloomingdale Road, is the only locally owned independent pharmacy in Bloomingdale. The establishment was the first tenant in Old Town Square back then and has remained an anchor to the center ever since. The store has just undergone a complete remodeling, and both staff and customers are excited about the new look. Among changes is a new "customer friendly" counter, as well as a consultation room to give customers privacy in discussing medical concerns with the pharmacist.

Bloomingtondale Pharmacy is now part of the "Health Mart" network, the fastest growing independent franchise in the U.S. "Health Mart" helps independent pharmacies stay competitive, in addition to contracting with managed care services.

Bloomingtondale Pharmacy will gladly accept almost all insurance plans. Owner **George Thies** (next generation now) assures residents that only the décor and logo will change. You and your family can continue to expect the same high level of personal care and quality service that you have always received at Bloomingdale Pharmacy.



Pharmacists George Thies and Barbara Robey stand ready to help you with your pharmaceutical needs. (Pharmacist Dennis Nettenstrom not pictured)

Purrfect Poses and Wet Noses

This whimsical exhibit runs from November 10 through December 20, 2007 at the Bloomingdale Park District Museum, 108 S. Bloomingdale Road. The opening reception will be held on Sunday, November 18th, 2-4 pm

The holiday show will be a "purrfect" combination of rave barks and meows. You will be smitten by the kittens of Ann Fahl's quilt exhibit "Black and White Tales." Her quilts are very colorful and full of her signature free-motion embroidery, machine quilting and include hand beading. Each has a theme and is very unique. You will be bow-wowed by these picture quilts of the "Dog Lady," Sharon Malec. Sharon is best recognized for her realistic depictions of dogs using her own patterns and her unique "free standing appliqué."

Charlotte Burgess' whimsical ceramic dogs and cats are truly the "cat's meow." Her unique style is both comical and creative.

The colored pencil "pet-traits" of Frederica Krauss Howard are beautifully executed drawings that reveal her love of line and expressive light and dark. Additionally she will be presenting a drawing workshop "Doodles to Drawing Dogs, etc." on Saturday, November 17 and Saturday, December 1. Call the museum at 539-3096 for further details.

Do you think your pet is the cutest?

Enter a photo contest held in conjunction with the "Purrfect Pose & Wet Noses exhibit mentioned above. Send your photo/snapshot (4"x6") or larger to the Bloomingdale Park District Museum at 108 S. Bloomingdale Road by Friday, October 26. Call the museum at 539-3096 for details, registration form and fee information. All entries will be on display during the show. Prizes will be awarded at the reception.



Thanks, Rotary! As part of the Bloomingdale-Roselle Rotary's 10th anniversary celebration on September 22, the organization formally dedicated a bench which they gave to the Village of Bloomingdale earlier this year. The bench, which is located on the south side of Lake Street by the bridge crossing over Lake Street near Rosedale Road, was installed prior to the anniversary so it could be used this summer.

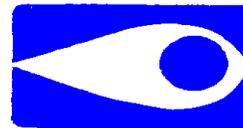
The location is somewhat symbolic, as the bridge (pedestrian overpass) is between Bloomingdale and Roselle and close to the half-way point of the stretch of Lake Street that the Rotary Club covers on behalf of the Adopt-A-Highway program.

Keep Your Trick or Treaters Safe & Happy This Halloween

- NO candy should be eaten until it has been inspected by an adult.
- Discard any unwrapped items.
- Check all food wrappers for signs of tampering.
- Keep costumes simple. Costumes should be made of light, brightly colored or reflective material, so that your trick-or-treater can be easily seen at night. Costumes should not restrict either vision or movement.
- At least one person in the group should carry a flashlight while trick or treating.
- Trick or treat in groups whenever possible, accompanied by one or more adults.
- Instruct your children not to enter any home, and don't invite anyone else's child into your home.
- For safety's sake, trick or treat only at homes in your own neighborhood.
- Remind children to cross only at corners, and to look both ways before crossing the street. Children should use sidewalks whenever possible, obey traffic lights, and walk -- never run -- across streets.

**TRICK OR TREAT HOURS ARE
FROM 3:00-7:00 PM
ON
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 31**

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THE BLOOMINGDALE

BUSINESS BEAT

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

Remember - BUY IN BLOOMINGDALE.

NEW BUSINESS

A PRO AUTO DETAIL: If you're looking for convenient, expert auto detailing, Joe Vallerugo of A Pro Auto Detail will come to you. A Pro offers mobile, on-the-spot, services at your home or work, including machine buff wax, tar removal, wheel and tire cleaning, and complete interior cleaning including carpet shampoo and vinyl shine.

"Your satisfaction is guaranteed," says Vallerugo, a longtime Bloomingdale resident. "We offer experience and pride in workmanship. And no one else comes to you."

A Pro Auto Detail is available Monday through Sunday, sunrise to sunset. Vallerugo's service area is roughly bordered by Barrington, Elmhurst, Naperville and St. Charles. For an appointment, call (630) 728-0737.

FIN-TASTIC AQUATICS PET CENTRE

opened in February in the former Petland location, 342 W. Army Trail Road, Suite 120, in the Bloomingdale Court shopping center. "We're an old-fashioned, anything-you-need-for-your-pet store," says Sandy Hilliard, who owns the store with her son David. Both have worked in the pet industry in Bloomingdale for about 10 years.



Fin-tastic Aquatics has puppies, kittens, fish and fish tanks, and small animals, but also offers exotic animals such as Siberian chipmunks, hedgehogs, chinchillas, ferrets and supergliders which are pouchless marsupials similar to flying squirrels.



NEW BUSINESS (continued)

The store carries holistic dog and cat food such as Innova & Evo, Canidae and Solid Gold. Grooming for dogs and cats is available. Fin-tastic offers a pet club program that gives members 15 to 20 percent off certain items, and recently began offering financing.

Hours are Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m., and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, call (630) 924-1201. Stop in and visit the four white store cats and Chippy, the store chipmunk.

BONAVENTURE MEDICAL GROUP -- BLOOMINGDALE

Medical care for the whole family is available at Bonaventure Medical Group—Bloomingdale located at 473 Army Trail Road (Suite 106), just west of Gary Avenue. Maria Chacon-Horn, M.D., and Asma Ayub, M.D., each in practice for about five years, are both board certified in Family Practice.

The office is accepting new patients—from newborn to geriatric—and is in network with most medical insurance plans. Languages spoken include Spanish, Urdu and English. Bonaventure Medical Group is affiliated with Alexian Brothers Medical Center.

Hours are Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Tuesday from Noon to 7:30 p.m. The office will also be open one Saturday each month. For more information or an appointment, call (630) 980-1967.

STRATFORD SQUARE'S 5TH ANNUAL 'NIGHT OF GIVING' KICKS OFF THE HOLIDAY SEASON ON NOVEMBER 18

The 5th annual Night of Giving will be held at Stratford Square Mall on Sunday, November 18 from 6:30-10 p.m. This popular charity shopping event kicks off the holiday season, and most importantly, gives local non-profit organizations the opportunity to sell the \$5 tickets to the event and keep 100% of the proceeds!





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