



# Village of Bloomingdale Almanac

FEBRUARY 2009

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## From the Desk of Mayor Bob Iden

We have all seen and heard reports in the local media about the financial problems municipalities all over DuPage County and elsewhere are currently experiencing. Some have had to take drastic measures including cutting jobs and services. I want to assure you the Village of Bloomingdale is in good shape and we hope to stay in that condition.

Because we have had a long term fiscal plan in place, we are currently healthy financially. Of course, we must be prudent in our expenditures. We are not anticipating service cuts and will continue to monitor our revenues. However, in light of the economy and in response to our citizens, we will re-focus some priorities.

As we prepare the budget for our upcoming fiscal year in the next few months, our emphasis will be on what is necessary to address the needs of the Village and its citizens. As the economic climate changes, we will examine our progress and discuss the necessity to modify our emphasis.

Be assured, the Village Board and I are working as a team aligning mutual concerns and planning for the future on the Village.

I'd like to take this opportunity to recognize and congratulate the employees who reached a milestone employment anniversary in 2008. In December we honored a combined 555 years of service to the village.

While you can find a complete list of employees recognized this year on p. 9, I'd like to make special note of the employees who have reached 20 years and more. The fact that our employees stay with us for so long is part of the reason we can be so proud of our services. The high level of service that our residents have come to expect was established by longtime employees, such as these.

Congratulations to Ed Lewis, Bruce Beck, Barb Kroll, Karen Maranto, Brian Healey, Mike Gicla and Frank Giammarese (Police), Tim Finnander (Village Services) and John Spikes (Finance) on completing 20 years; to Bob Jensen and Rob Blum (Village Services), Julie Jaster (Police) and Irene Jones (Administration) who celebrated 25 years; and to Len Jaster (Police), Rich Meyer, Bob Maguire and Tim Heffron (Village Services) for giving the Village 30 years of dedicated service. I sincerely thank these and all our employees who continue to make us look good.

Mayor Bob Iden



**Thanks for 120 Years of Expertise:** Police Watch Commander Len Jaster, Utilities Superintendent Bob Maguire and Buildings & Grounds/Vehicle Maintenance Supervisor Rich Meyer Not pictured: Plant Operator #1 Tim Heffron.

**VILLAGE BOARD,  
COMMISSION & COMMITTEE  
MEETINGS**

*The public is encouraged to attend all Board and Commission meetings*

**REGULAR MEETINGS  
OF THE VILLAGE BOARD**  
2nd and 4th Monday of every month  
7:30 p.m. -- Village Hall

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**  
1st, 2nd 3rd & 4th Mondays of every month  
7:30 p.m. -- Village Hall

**PLAN COMMISSION**  
1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month  
7:30 p.m. -- Village Hall

**ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**  
Six times a year or as needed

**BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE  
COMMISSIONERS**  
3rd Wednesday of every month  
5:00 p.m. -- Village Hall

**POLICE PENSION BOARD**  
Quarterly beginning in January  
4th Monday  
5:00 p.m. -- Village Hall

**FAMILY FEST COMMISSION**  
3rd Wednesday of every month  
9:30 a.m. -- Library

**SEPTEMBERFEST COMMISSION**  
2nd & 4th Thursday of the month  
March-December  
7:00 p.m. - Village Hall

**BUSINESS PROMOTION &  
CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT  
COMMITTEE**  
1st Friday of the month  
10:00 a.m. - Village Hall

**LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
2nd Wednesday of every month  
7:30 p.m. -- Library

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**  
Board of Directors Meeting  
1st Thursday of every month  
8:00 a.m. -- Indian Lakes

**BLOOMINGDALE FIRE PROTECTION  
DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
1st Thursday of the month  
5:00 p.m. - Firehouse,  
179 S. Bloomingdale Road

**VILLAGE OF BLOOMINGDALE  
ELECTED OFFICIALS**

**Robert G. Iden**  
*Village President*

**Susan L. Bartucci**  
*Village Clerk*

**TRUSTEES**

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

**Robert Czernek**  
*Traffic and Street Infrastructure*

**John Dabrowski**  
*Police and Community Relations*

**Judi Von Huben**  
*Intergovernmental Relations and  
Emergency Planning*

**Bill Bolen**  
*Finance, Personnel and  
Administration*

**Jim King**  
*Facilities and Golf Course*

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

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



electronic message, our website address is:  
[www.villageofbloomingdale.org](http://www.villageofbloomingdale.org)

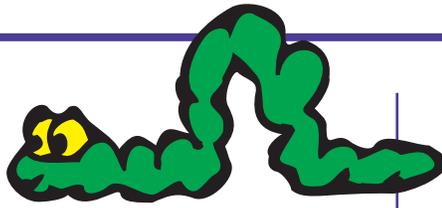


**Be a Friend to a Fire Hydrant**



Remember – Adopt a Fire Hydrant near your home. We are all tired of moving snow, but this extra effort could help save a life or save someone's home from being destroyed by fire. Not just a good idea, but something we all should do for ourselves and our neighbors.

## Bagworms: Here's What You Need to Know



Over the past several years we have seen large numbers of this pest in our area. Although most of the outbreaks have been along our major roadways (Lake Street, Schick Road, Edgewater Drive, etc.), they have also been found in our neighborhoods. Bagworms spread slowly because the female is unable to fly, but they can be blown by the wind or crawl to other host plants. Landscapers may unintentionally transport bagworms in the process of pruning and moving infested plant material.

Bagworms are more easily identified in the winter and spring (from a distance they can be mistaken for cones), and when practical, can be removed and destroyed. Simply pick the bagworms off the plant and squash them. Be sure to cut the attachment silk band so that the branch will not be girdled in the future.



Twenty species of bagworms exist, affecting a wide range of host plants. Bagworms feed on the foliage of many evergreens, deciduous trees and shrubs, including arborvitae, juniper, false cypress, spruce, fir and pine in our area.

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



Bagworms are often compared to caterpillar larvae, as the worm hides inside a self-constructed bag likened to a cocoon (hence the name bagworm). Bagworms create these cases out of silk and bits of twigs or leaves, interwoven to disguise and strengthen the case. When the larva is small, it feeds on the upper side of the leaf, resulting in a brown spot on the leaf. The larva moves to the lower surface as it grows and eats all of the leaf except for the larger veins. The change from pupa to adult requires seven to ten days, depending on weather. Adult females never leave the bag they constructed as a larva, but adult males emerge as moths. The male moth flies to the female, mates, and dies in a few days. The female produces 500 to 1,000 eggs that overwinter inside her bag. The eggs hatch and larvae emerge in late May to early June.

For more information, contact Jim Johnson, Village Forester, at 630-671-5804. Color photos can be found at <http://www.forestryimages.org/search/action.cfm?q=bagworms>.

(Source: *The Morton Arboretum and Kramer Tree Specialists*)

### Looking for a Summer Job?

The Village of Bloomingdale is seeking individuals to fill seasonal positions in the Public Works Maintenance and Utilities Divisions. These positions work approximately 40 hours per week. Work includes physical labor. Applicants must be 18 years of age and must have a valid Illinois Drivers License. Starting hourly rates are \$9.00.

Applications may be obtained at the Bloomingdale Village Hall, 201 S. Bloomingdale Road from 8:30AM to 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday. For further information, please contact Human Resources Director Kay Argo at (630) 671-5616. The Village of Bloomingdale is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

# Spring

## Looking Forward to Branch Pick-Up

Think ahead to Spring for a minute – when all this winter's snow and ice are finally just a memory.

Kramer Tree Specialists, Inc. will once again perform branch collection under the direction of the Village Forestry Division during the week of April 20. Details to come in the April Almanac.

Admit it – it was nice to think about April, wasn't it?

# NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH IN ACTION

*The Bloomingdale Police Department publicly recognizes and expresses sincere gratitude to the residents listed below. The time and dedication as volunteer Neighborhood Watch Block Captains have led to the continued success of the program. Thanks to all of them for their contributions throughout the year to promote safety and enhance the quality of life for our community.*

Mary Albert	Juanita Hathaway	Lewis Sapien
Bill Bahr	Jacquelyne Hill	Jack Sassmann
Robert Becker	Donna Hoidas	Susan Schembari
Anna Marie Bergl	Dorothy Jaskey	Rhonda Schubert
Pam Brewer	Gretchen Johnson	John Schultz
Gregg Burgess	George & Gloria Kas	Robyn Scurek
Andre Burke	Joyce Klinowski	Kendra Siegle
Brad Butler	Joseph Kuzdzal	John Sofere
Lee Clarbour	Rita & Frank Letizia	Nilofer Soheli
Bart Cohen	Anthony & Theresa Lobraco	Juanita Soyaut
Carol Cosentino		Susan Voelker
Patricia Cox	Rozanne Malott	Mary Theresa Wedel
Susan Culhane	John Manos	Bob Wikrent
Ray Cullerton	Judy Martin	Bill Wirkus
Josephine Dabrowski	Patrick McNamara	Louise Zeitoun
Sam D'Amico	Jane & Gil Michelotti	
Janet Davitt	Carol Neff	<b>Management Offices</b>
Bonnie Decoursey	Carol Nies	<b>of:</b>
Mary Ann Divenere	Nancy O'Leary	Camden Apartments
Monica Dolhun	Holly Paoletti	One Bloomingdale Place
Donna Doyle	Sandra Perakis	Park Bloomingdale Condominiums
Paula Duffey	Dawn Percudani	Stratford Place Apartments
Patty Eagleton	Dorothy Prohaska	Wilshire Tower Apartments
Tim Fenner	Greg Puchalski	
Mary Sue Fornari	Patrick Quigley	
Amy Frane	Bernard Rapacz	
Mitch & Vivi Frumkin	Marvin Roehlke	
Laura Geraci	Gail Rohlfing	
Sally Gill	Roger Rossi	
Patrick Griffin	Cynthia Rothamer	
Charissa Hannigan	Judi Rotondo	
Connie Hasselbach	John Ruberti	

## Neighborhood Watch Calendar of Upcoming Events

**GENERAL MEETINGS**  
3rd Wednesday evening  
of every other month at  
7:30 PM in the Village  
Hall Council Room:

**March 18**  
**May 20**  
**July 15**  
**September 16**  
**November 18**

**NATIONAL NIGHT OUT  
AGAINST CRIME --  
BLOOMINGDALE PARK  
DISTRICT**  
**Tuesday, August 4, 2009**  
**6:00-9:00 PM**

**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, Dawn Odoi,  
Chief of Police Community Policing Officer

529-9868

# Neighborhood Watch: Crime Fighting Gets Personal

The **Neighborhood Watch Program** is a cooperative effort between the residents of Bloomingdale and the Bloomingdale Police Department designed to help reduce burglary, vandalism and other neighborhood crimes. Its operational objectives are to disseminate information to homeowners on how to protect themselves, their property, and their community; to establish communication and helpful relationships between neighbors; and to create real and psychological restraints for criminals.

**Neighborhood Watch** goes beyond the concept of securing your own home. It means caring about your neighbors, being aware of who is in the neighborhood, and what is happening. It also means calling the police and your neighbors if you see suspicious people, vehicles, or activity. It gives you and your neighbors a greater sense of security when you know someone cares.

As criminals become aware of areas having Neighborhood Watch groups, they avoid them and move to other neighborhoods, because they know that the residents are alert and will report their activities to the police.

Awareness and Involvement are the keys to a successful Neighborhood Watch Program – keeping interest high and continuing the groups' crime prevention education must be a primary focus for all participants. Through involvement, residents can take significant steps to deter, delay, or detect burglaries, vandalism, and theft, thus, making Bloomingdale a safer place to live.

The Bloomingdale Neighborhood Watch Program has general meetings on the third Wednesday of every other month (The third Wednesday of the following months: January, March, May, July, September, and November).

## WANTED: Neighborhood Watch Block Captains

The primary link / spokesperson of a particular residential area to the police department

Minimum number of homes involved with a Block Captain: 5

Responsibilities / Duties:

- ✓ Meet with each resident in your area and provide an invitation to be involved with the Neighborhood Watch Program.
- ✓ Maintain a listing of all your involved residents.
- ✓ Gather information, questions and concerns, from residents and then contact the Neighborhood Watch Coordinator (Officer Dawn Odoi) for answers.
- ✓ Provide current information from the Bloomingdale Police Department to your neighbors regarding criminal activity affecting your residential area.
- ✓ Distribute the Neighborhood Watch newsletter to neighbors' homes or by e-mail.
- ✓ Obtain recent Village and Police activities information through attendance at Neighborhood Watch General Meetings.

Being a Block Captain is not a hard or time-consuming job. It mostly involves becoming aware of activities in your area, taking the time to report them and disseminating information to your neighbors. A Neighborhood Watch Block Captain is a vital and necessary role for the success of the Neighborhood Watch Program and to preserve the safety and quality of life in Bloomingdale.

Any questions about the Neighborhood Watch Program or interested in becoming a Neighborhood Watch Block Captain, please contact Officer Dawn Odoi at (630) 529-9868.



## Safety Reminders

Keep doors and windows closed and locked at all times, including doors that connect from the garage to the home.

Utilize outside light and motion light detectors around your home.

Utilize timers to turn lights, radio(s) or television(s) on and off at appropriate times in different areas of your home.

Properly lock your unattended vehicles at all times, including in your driveway.

Remove all personal / valuable items from unattended vehicles, including GPS devices.

Report all suspicious person(s) and vehicles in your neighborhood.

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**671-5600**



# 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.**

## NEW BUSINESSES



Owner Debbie Zempel, with Samantha Eldridge (left) and Cassie Slipkevych (right) encourage you to "indulge" in some cheesecake.

**INDULGE CHEESECAKE:** Could you choose your favorite among 22 flavors of cheesecake? White chocolate with a pretzel crust. Blueberry crumble. Chocolate espresso. Go ahead, indulge yourself at Indulge Cheesecakes, now open between Wal-Mart and Dick's Sporting Goods at 322 W. Army Trail Road.

Indulge Cheesecakes offers 21 standard flavors daily and one seasonal special, all baked on the premises. Six are low fat, made with Splenda, and gluten-free versions are available upon request. Cheesecakes come in 3", 6" and 9" sizes, and the store also has cheesecake pops and related gift items such as cake plates and cake servers. Surprise your Valentine with a chocolate cherry mousse cheesecake with chocolate graham crust. "Desserts have always been my thing," says Debbie Zempel, who owns and operates Indulge Cheesecakes with her husband. "My cheesecakes went over so well with friends and family that people started to say I ought to sell them. My goal was to make them for fundraisers, but it grew into retail too."

Zempel continues to offer the cheesecakes as a "sweet" way for organizations to raise funds. (Call for details.) She also donates three percent of annual profits to charitable causes. The store is open from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, Noon to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, and closed Monday. For information, call (630) 893-5714 or visit [www.indulgecheesecakes.com](http://www.indulgecheesecakes.com).

**ELEMENTS THERAPEUTIC MASSAGE:** Regular massage can boost your immune system and improve your mood. And therapeutic massage can spur your body's natural ability to heal itself, says Krystle Abbott, manager of Elements Therapeutic Massage which recently opened at 142 S. Gary Avenue (Suite 104), near Dominick's.

"Our goal is to help people be the healthiest they can be," Abbott says. "If people come to us with muscle pain, our trained therapists can help them to leave pain-free." Massage therapists at Elements are fully licensed and certified, and undergo an intensive four-step interviewing process. "We hire only the best," Abbott says.



Elements offers online scheduling, and membership options offer reduced rates with no sign-up or cancellation fees. Elements is open from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday through Sunday. For information or to schedule an appointment, call (630) 894-5500 or visit [www.elementsbloomington.com](http://www.elementsbloomington.com).

**HIMALAYAN RESTAURANT:** If you're craving authentic Indian food close to home—or if you've always wanted to try Indian food but thought it might be *(continued on page 7)*



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# BUSINESS BEAT

### HIMALAYAN RESTAURANT: (continued)

too spicy—you're in luck...Himalayan Restaurant of Niles recently opened a second location in Bloomingdale at 398 W. Army Trail Road.

Sample the cuisine at the daily lunch buffet, which offers 25 different items and changes every day. Lunch is available from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, and from Noon to 3 p.m. on weekends. Dinner is served from 5 to 10 p.m. daily.



“People often think Indian food is spicy, but it can be mild, medium or spicy, made to your liking,” says Vivek Kunwar, who co-owns the restaurant with Sudhir KC. “Some of our specialties are Chicken Tikka Masala, Fish Curry and Tandoori Prawn.” Vegetarian dishes are also available.

“Right now, Indian food is becoming more popular with everyone,” Kunwar says. “In the short two months since we have opened, some people have become regulars.”Himalayan Restaurant offers carry-out, delivery and catering.

For more information, call (630) 523-5100 or visit [www.HimalayanRestaurant.com](http://www.HimalayanRestaurant.com).

**MASTERPIECE FRAMING:** Matt Puchalski of Masterpiece Framing has been in business for seven years in Bloomingdale. Despite last year's ailing economy, the young man had his best year yet in 2008. This caught the attention of Decor magazine who went behind the scenes to see how he cultivated the successful frameshop. The article tracks the development of the business, its struggles and its expansions, from its humble beginnings in his parents' basement to his current location in Springbrook Shopping Center on Lake Street. The author, Kristen Stefek Brashares, offers insight into the young

young entrepreneur's determination, as well provides a list of marketing tips from Matt which proved very profitable for him. Read the article and/or learn more about Matt and Masterpiece Framing at his website, [www.mframing.com](http://www.mframing.com).



## Last Minute Additions to the B-Card Program

### Elite Edge Salon

120 Ridge Avenue, Ste 10  
630-479-5117

*Free haircut with any color service. Shampoo, haircut and style for \$20 – first time clients only*

### Hairphazes

148-103 Bloomingdale Road  
630-529-0112

[www.hairphazes.com](http://www.hairphazes.com)

*\$5 off any service over \$25 or more*

### I Know A Guy - Repair Services

167 S. Circle Ave.  
630-336-6568

[www.iknowaguy.biz](http://www.iknowaguy.biz)

*One free hour of labor on any job, two hours or more.*

### Trust Nutrition

318 W. Army Trail Road, Unit 120  
630-893-9454

[www.trustnutrition.com](http://www.trustnutrition.com)

*30% off regular retail price – Not valid with any other offer*

### Center Stage Dance Studio

162C East Lake St.  
630-529-9085

[centerstage1@sbcglobal.net](mailto:centerstage1@sbcglobal.net)

*1 month free dance classes w/registration (Up to \$100 value) New customers only for Fall 2009 season*

## Dangerous Ground -- Winter Ice Safety

The winter season brings with it snow, cold weather and outdoor activities, which for many people might include ice-skating, snowmobiling and hockey.



If the water has turned to ice and it has been cold for a few days, the ice must be safe to use, right? Wrong! Unfortunately, people find this out the hard way year after year. Just because the water freezes over does not make it safe to walk or skate on. The International Association of Dive Rescue Specialists' manual on ice rescue states that there are (7) different types of ice. Clear ice is generally the strongest – it is new ice, formed by a long hard freeze, and new ice is stronger than old ice. It can be blue, black or green due to the color of the water seen through the ice.

The strength of ice, however, cannot be judged by appearance alone; a hole should be drilled in the ice to check its thickness. Ice does not necessarily have the same thickness in all locations either, due to the fact that the water seldom freezes at the same rate in a body of water. Daily temperatures, sun, water on the ice and even waterfowl or fish can prevent ice formation or cause thinner formations of ice.

General guidelines say that clear ice can support the following:

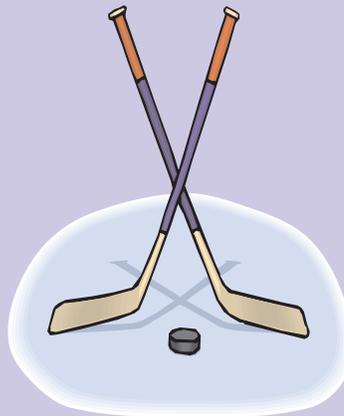
- 2" – Walking
- 4" – Fishing
- 5" – Snowmobiles

Children should stay off the ice until an adult checks it, but the only absolute in ice safety is stay off it. If the ice has been determined to be safe, there are a few safety precautions still to consider. They are the same as those used for swimming:

- ✓ Never skate alone
- ✓ Have life rings or hooks on shore for emergency use
- ✓ If the water is used for boating, keep a rowboat near the shore for quick emergency use
- ✓ Have a cellular phone available for emergencies

If someone is on or around ice, they should always watch for signs of weak ice. Some of those signs include:

- Ice that is of a different color, such as gray
- Ice that is near obstructions
- Slush or snow on the ice
- Bubbles or water on the ice surface
- A porous look to the ice
- Cracks in the ice
- Water running underneath the ice
- Pressure cracked shore ice
- Open water in the middle of a deep lake
- Water near a dam or spillway that will be weaker than the rest of the ice



The Bloomington Police Department and Bloomington Fire Protection District want everyone to enjoy the season, and if some simple safety rules are observed, it will be a safe season as well. If any further information is needed, please call the Bloomington Police Department at (630) 529-9868 or the Bloomington Fire Protection District at (630) 894-9080.



### When temperatures fall below zero:

If you have pipes that are vulnerable to freezing, allow a small trickle of water to run overnight to keep pipes from freezing. The cost of the extra water is low compared to the cost to repair a broken pipe. Open cabinet doors to expose pipes to warmer room temperatures to help keep them from freezing.

#### If your pipes freeze:

Shut off the water immediately. Don't attempt to thaw frozen pipes unless the water is shut off. Freezing can often cause unseen cracks in pipes or joints. Apply heat to the frozen pipe by warming the air around it, or by applying heat directly to a pipe. You can use a hair dryer, space heater, or hot water. Be sure not to leave space heaters unattended, and avoid the use of kerosene heaters or open flames.

Once the pipes have thawed, turn the water back on slowly and check for cracks and leaks.

#### When you are away:

Have a friend, relative or neighbor regularly check your property to insure the heat is working and the pipes have not frozen. Also, a freeze alarm can be purchased for less than \$100 and will call a user-selected phone number if the inside temperature drops below 45 degrees.

## Numerous Scholarships Available to Graduating High School Seniors

The **Bloomington Women's Club** is pleased to announce their 2009 Scholarship application is now available for high school seniors who reside in the Village of Bloomington. The major criteria for awarding the \$1,000 Scholarship is demonstration of strong community service.

Applications are available at the area high schools' guidance office or at the Village Hall. Deadline for submission to the BWC is April 1, 2009. For more information or questions, contact Rose at 630-291-3667.



The **Bloomington Chamber of Commerce** will also be offering scholarships to graduating seniors and continuing post secondary students for vocational, business or a two- or four-year college. Candidates must be a Bloomington resident or employee of a Bloomington Chamber member. Previous Bloomington Chamber of Commerce scholarship winners will not be considered. Applications will be available after Monday, February 16 at the Chamber office, 108 W. Lake Street, on the website [www.bloomingtonchamber.com](http://www.bloomingtonchamber.com), at the Bloomington Village Hall, 201 S. Bloomington Road or at the Bloomington Library, 101 Fairfield Way, The deadline for submission is Monday, April 13, 2009. For more information call the Chamber office at 630-980-9082.

College-bound high school seniors who have attended **District 13** schools are invited to apply for scholarships available through the district.

A \$750 scholarship is being offered from the DuJardin Parent-Teacher-Organization (PTO); a \$750 scholarship is being offered from the Erickson PTO. Westfield Middle School is offering one \$750 scholarship from the Student-Teacher-Parent organization.

Past students of both DuJardin and Erickson may apply to only the school most recently attended. Students who attended one of the elementary schools and Westfield Middle School may apply to the elementary school as well as to Westfield.

Applications will be available from Lake Park High School and Driscoll High School counselors' offices, the District 13 school offices and can be downloaded from the district's web page, [www.sd13.org](http://www.sd13.org). Applications must be submitted by April 9. Winners will be selected by a committee evaluating the students' applications, grade point averages, introductory letters, and letters of recommendation. Winners will be notified in early May. For more information, contact the District 13 office at (630) 893-9590.

**State Representative Franco Coladipietro** is now accepting applications for students wishing to be considered for a 2009-2010 General Assembly Scholarship. The scholarship through his office is available to residents of the 45th representative district, which includes parts of Bloomington. It covers tuition for the fall, spring, and summer terms at any four-year Illinois public university.

Applications can be obtained at [www.coladipietro.com](http://www.coladipietro.com), by calling the district office at 630-582-0045, or at the district high schools and the College of DuPage. All applications and supporting materials must reach the district office no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday April 24, 2009.

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

Watch the April issue of the Almanac for information on the 2009 **Joe Draghi Septemberfest Scholarship** available to Bloomington residents.

# Thanks!

The Village of Bloomington depends on the efforts of a variety of commissions and committees during the year. Each serves a specific purpose and is made up of volunteers, many of whom contribute a good deal of time to carry out the work of the commission. We extend thanks to the following individuals who have given so freely of their time during 2008.

### Business Promotion & Cultural Development Committee

Jacki Unger	John Vertnik
Branka Poplonski	Remo Turano
Georgene Geils	Bob Allen
Lori Selvaggi	

### Board of Fire & Police Commissioners

Warren Gnau	Frank Letizia
	Louis Pavone

### Police Pension Board

Jeff Fritz	Len Jaster
Steve Apostolopoulos	Alan Birkley
	Randy Sater

### Plan Commission

J. Thomas Brice	Guy Sanalitto
Jeff Dolce	Ron Fangusaro
Tim Lauing	Dan Hauser
Dan Proctor	Kelley Edmier

### Septemberfest Commission

Carole Lockhart	Marilyn Zaccardi
Dolores Orlik	Vivi Frumkin
Gloria Tomaras	Bill Wolff
Mitch Frumkin	

### Family Fest Commission

Guy Sanalitto	Milton Clark
Tim Jarzemsky	Kandice Krettler
Julie Deeke	Dennis Szafran

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# Residents Will Go To The Polls on April 7

*On Tuesday, April 7, residents will have the opportunity to elect a Mayor, Village Clerk and three Village Trustees. Following is a brief overview of the candidates running.*

## Robert G. Iden, Village President ☆☆☆☆☆☆☆☆

Bloomington residents since 1968, Bob & JoEllen Iden raised their two daughters here. They have seen the town grow and prosper in the last 41 years.

Bob has served in our local government for 30 years. Starting as a trustee in 1979, he went on to be appointed Village President in 1992. Since then, he has been elected to four additional full terms. During his entire tenure on the Board, Bob has fostered a good working relationship with other governing bodies in Bloomington, such as the library, schools, park district, fire department and township, as well as with the Bloomington Chamber of Commerce.

He has served on the DuPage Regional Planning Commission almost as long as he has been Mayor, and has served as chairman of that body for the last six years. Bob also continues to be an active member of the DuPage County Mayors and Managers conference, currently serving as first vice president, as well as director of the group's Planning Committee. These affiliations keep him informed on the County level and in close network with the leadership of other towns.

"Right now, what is of utmost importance is maintaining the economic strength of the Village and retaining our sales tax base in order to keep up the high level of Village services. Beyond that, I will continue to foster the quality of future development."



## Susan L. Bartucci, Village Clerk ☆☆☆☆☆☆☆☆



Susan has resided in Bloomington for over 30 years. She has three daughters: Angela, Gina, and Cara, and a precious granddaughter, Autumn.

Susan has been involved in various community activities in the Village serving as a Girl Scout Leader for 10 years and as a Bloomington Bears Cheerleading Manager for three years. In addition, she held many volunteer positions at the schools her daughters attended.

She was appointed to the Village Clerk position in January 2001 to fill the vacant office. Susan was elected to this position in April 2001 and reelected in April 2005. Currently she is employed as a Project Manager at U.S. Cellular in Chicago. She obtained her Professional Project Manager (PMP) Certification in 2005.

Susan is proud to serve in the Village Clerk position, and she enjoys working with the Mayor and the current Board members. She brings extensive experience and a strong administrative background to this office.

## Bill Bolen, 4-year Trustee ☆☆☆☆☆☆☆☆

Bill was appointed to the position of Village Trustee in 2003 to fill a vacancy. He was then elected to his first full term in 2005. He and his wife, Marla, have lived in Bloomington with their children Kelly and Ryan since 1990. Bill works for the US Environmental Protection Agency in the Great Lakes National Program office, formerly the Emergency Response Program.

Bill has been active in many community endeavors, especially in youth sports and other park district groups, including the Bloomington Parks Foundation and Friends of the Park. He has held offices in the Youth Basketball Association, Bloomington Baseball and Softball Association and Cub Scouts. He has received numerous awards in recognition of his volunteer efforts. Bill has also been actively involved in his parish community as a lector, coach, Sunday School teacher, and as a PADS volunteer.

Since his appointment to the Village Board, Bill has served as the lead trustee on legal and intergovernmental issues and is currently the lead trustee for finance and administration. Because of his occupation, he also brings a level of expertise on environmental and emergency response capabilities issues to the board.

"I am committed to maintaining the outstanding level of Village services that the residents are accustomed to, while continuing to safeguard a low Village tax rate. I also believe in protecting and preserving open and recreational space for our residents."



# To Elect Village President, Clerk and Three Trustees

## James Gebis, 4-year Trustee ☆☆☆☆☆☆☆☆☆

Jim has been active with the Village for the past 30 years, having served as a Plan Commission member and as a Village Trustee. With his focus on Planning and Development, he has been instrumental in implementing many of the quality of life features evident in the community today, including recreational paths, parks, landscaped corridors, and developments built to high standards. Jim and his wife Carol have raised three children in Bloomingdale and are proud of this community and what it has to offer. He is grateful for the excellent schools, library, and parks which formed the foundation for his children's success. He believes strongly in supporting and working together with the various community governments and groups. His engineering and management background has been an asset to him while serving the community in various projects.



Over the years, Jim has served as chairperson for the Golf Course Development Committee, Planning and Environmental Concerns Committee, Public Works Committee, and has worked on the North DuPage Recreational Path Committee. He has been liaison to the Plan Commission since 1991.

Over the years, Jim has supported keeping open spaces, including Bloomingdale Golf Course, Old Town Park, Indian Lakes Resort open area, and many other green areas in the Village.

Jim would like to continue keeping Bloomingdale the premier community in the western suburbs. "I thank you for all the support you have given me, and I am committed to keeping Bloomingdale a great place to live."



## Judi Von Huben, 4-year Trustee ☆☆☆☆☆☆☆☆☆

Judi is seeking re-election for a third term. As the chairperson of the Intergovernmental Relations and the Emergency Planning Committee, she is the liaison to the Business Promotion & Cultural Development Committee, in addition to all intergovernmental agencies, including the Park District, Fire Protection District, Bloomingdale Public Library & Chamber of Commerce. Judi was a member of the Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals for five years, as well as serving as vice chairman and chairman of the Old Town Review Committee. She also served on the Recreational Path Advisory Board.

Judi and her husband David have been residents of Bloomingdale for 24 years. She has worked as a product manager in the electronics industry, as well as in computer sales. Currently, she is employed doing marketing and computer consulting for small companies.

Judi has remained committed to carry on the Bloomingdale tradition of quality development. She supports numerous intergovernmental agreements for overall community improvement. She also has a passion for open space and environmental issues.

"I wish to continue to give residents strong fiscal management and sound planning. We have a dedicated team of people who care about our Village and actively work at quality of life issues. I want to continue to work on open space issues and provide a strong sales tax base."

## Voter Registration Information

If you have not registered at your current address, you must register at least 28 days prior to an election in order to vote in that election. You can register by mail or in person. The next election is Tuesday, April 7. Registration closes on Tuesday, March 10, 2009.

You can register in person at local City, Village, or Township Halls in DuPage County or at the Election Commission office, 421 North County Farm Road, Wheaton, Illinois, in addition to some local Libraries. When registering, be sure to bring two forms of identification with you, one of which must have your correct address on it.

By Mail: You can also register by mail using an approved registration application form by downloading a form from [www.dupageelections.com](http://www.dupageelections.com). Or you may call the Election Commission at 630-407-5600 to have a form sent to you. Instructions are included on the form for where to mail it.



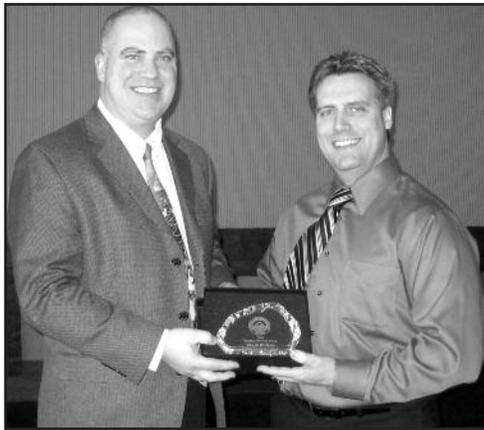
## Chamber Honors Rookie, Ambassador, Business & Business Person of the Year

On December 17th the Bloomingdale Chamber of Commerce held its Annual Holiday Luncheon and Awards Recognition. One hundred forty members were on hand to celebrate the season, as well as to honor some outstanding members.

**Christine Smith, president of Old Town Bank, was chosen as this year's Business Person of the Year.** This past year, Christine was instrumental in the development of the Bloomingdale Area Women in Business. She serves as the chairperson to this organization whose mission statement is "strives to empower, embrace and equip women with the knowledge and resources to achieve their personal goals and reach their professional potential."

### Jameson's Charhouse was chosen as Business of the Year.

Jameson's stands out for advancing the growth of its business, while at the same time actively supporting members of the chamber and the community at large. In addition to donating gift cards for several of the chamber activities, Jameson's also hosted two of the chamber events this year.



*Tom Lewandowski of Insty-Prints (left) presented Bryan Ryndak of Ryndak Physical Therapy with the Rookie of the Year award.*

**Bryan Ryndak of Ryndak Physical Therapy was chosen as the Rookie of the Year.** The board certified specialist in orthopedic physical therapy opened Ryndak Physical Therapy in January, 2008. Since joining the chamber, Bryan has been active in many areas, including being elected vice president of Bloomingdale One, the chamber's networking group. He also serves as one of the chamber's Ambassadors.

**Brian Kurtz of Sunrise Chevrolet was chosen Ambassador of the Year.** Brian has been with Sunrise since 2005, coming to the Bloomingdale area in 2007. As an Ambassador, Brian has helped foster growth and development of the chamber itself, by attending after hours, ribbon cuttings and luncheons, as well as serving on the 2009 Program Committee.



*Brian Kurtz of Sunrise Chevrolet (left) received his Ambassador of the Year award from Feroz Ahmed, LPL Financial. As a retiring chamber director, Ahmed was also recognized for the donation of his time and talent to the chamber.*

## Dianna Necka Wins VFW Voice of Democracy Contest

The Bloomingdale VFW Post 7539 proudly announced the winners of the 2008-2009 Voice of Democracy contest. Bloomingdale resident Dianna M. Necka, a senior at Lake Park High School, won 1st prize and a check for \$300. Lake Park freshman Kaitlyn E. D. Kesler of Roselle won 2nd prize and a check for \$200.

Photo: Post 7539 Commander Joe Palmer presented Dianna with a first place certificate and check for \$300 while Voice of Democracy Chairman Bill Bahr holds the plaque with Dianna's name which will be placed at Lake Park High School. Dianna also just won \$200 for placing 4th in the VFW District competition.



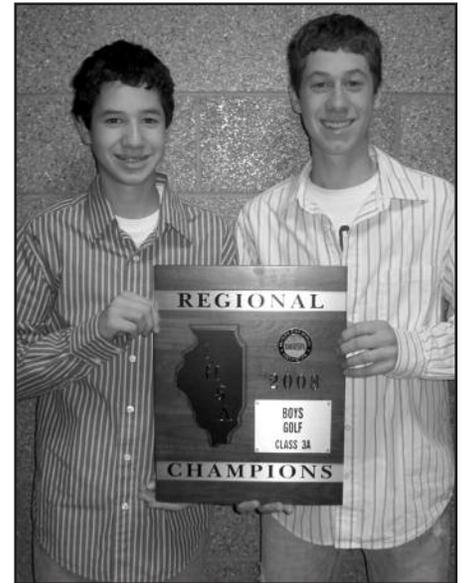
## DuPage County Senior Citizen Real Estate Tax Deferral Program

Senior Citizens (age 65+) with a household income below \$50,000, may qualify for the real estate deferral program which provides tax relief for qualified senior citizens by allowing them to defer their property tax on their principal residence.

For more information please contact the DuPage County Treasurer's office at 630-407-5900 or go to [www.dupageco.org/treasurer](http://www.dupageco.org/treasurer) and click on "Senior Serve."

## Big Mac and Little Mac

Dubbed “Little Mac and Big Mac” by Coach Daniel Batka, Bloomingdale brothers Sophomore Brian McKeown and Senior Kevin McKeown recently helped the Lake Park boys’ golf team win its first IHSA Regional Championship since 1987. The young men are the sons of Terry and Marianne McKeown.



## Santa’s Helpers -- The Bloomingdale Lions

Twenty-one members of the Bloomingdale Lions Club went to the neighborhood Jewel-Osco on December 13th to purchase food for some families in need. They

annually put together these Christmas baskets and deliver them personally to the families. The names come from the Bloomingdale Township and the Lions meet with the families to learn about their specific needs. Employees of Jewel Osco get into the spirit of the day by decorating the shopping carts. Pictured as they ready to check out are (l to r) Lions Ron Fangusaro, Kelly Gits, Mark Bousquet, Dan L. Davis, John Vertnik and Warren Prescott.

## Not Just Dirty Hands

(right photo) At the November program Garden Club members created floral pins for the residents of the West Suburban Care Center on Edgewater Drive. Mary Fortino, pictured here with one of the 144



pins created, delivered them to the Center.

(left photo) Members of the Garden Club decorated their tree at the Snowman Crossing at Bloomingdale Public Library with seed packets, snowflakes, and poinsettias.



Mark your calendars for May 15 & 16. The Garden Club will host its annual plant sale on the grounds of the Village Hall, 201 S. Bloomingdale Road.

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### **If You are 55 or Over and Love to Play Bridge, This Invitation is for You!**

The Bloomingdale Park District invites anyone interested in meeting new people and playing Bridge to come to the Johnston Recreation Center every Friday from Noon - 4:00 p.m. Residents ages 55+ are welcome. The event is held in the Johnston Recreation Center, Community Room, 172 S. Circle Avenue. Phone: 630-529-3650. Complimentary coffee is provided.

### **Magic Through the Ages for the Whole Family**

Fun and entertainment for the whole family. Jim Jensen and his company of magicians take you on a magical journey of tricks and illusions from days past to the present. Kids and adults alike will be amazed at the high energy style of magic. Bring the whole family!

Saturday, February 7, 2009

2pm and 7pm shows

Wheaton Grand Theater

123 Hale St., Wheaton

\$10 per person, \$35 per family

Open to the public! Ticket proceeds will be donated to WDSRA. Families can register through the Wheaton Park District.

### **School District 13 Announces Kindergarten Registration**

School District 13 Kindergarten registration will take place during the week of February 16th this year. If you or anyone you know has a child who will be five years of age on or before September 1, 2009 and is a resident of Bloomingdale School District #13, make sure to register the child for kindergarten. Registration will take place at DuJardin School, 166 S. Euclid Ave., or Erickson Elementary, 277 Springfield Dr., on the following dates and times:

February 17, Tuesday. 8:00 - 4:00 pm

February 18, Wednesday. 8:00 - 6:00 pm

February 19, Thursday. 8:00 - 4:00 pm

February 20, Friday. 8:00 - 4:00 pm

Kindergarten registration packets can be picked up in the school office starting February 2nd and completed prior to registration week.

### **Women's Club February Program Features 'Gems with Bling!'**

The Bloomingdale Women's Club meets on the 2nd Thursday of the month from September through May and have changed their meeting venue in January to the community room at the Bloomingdale Fire Station, 179 S. Bloomingdale Road. The February 12th program is featuring "All about gems with lots of bling!" presented by Therese Balducci, graduate gemologist with Ancona Jewelers of Addison. Social time starts at 7 p.m. with meeting and program following. For more information about BWC contact Maureen at 630-539-1674.

### **WDSRA Presents 'Evening at Sea'**

Enjoy an "Evening at Sea" at the WDSRA Foundation's annual charity auction on Friday, March 6th at the Abbingdon, Glen Ellyn. With a fabulous dinner, silent and live auctions, raffle baskets and some surprises, this promises to be an evening you won't want to miss. For complete information visit [www.wdsra.com](http://www.wdsra.com). For more information about tickets, sponsorships, or donations, please contact Cindy Allston at [cindya@wdsra.com](mailto:cindya@wdsra.com) or 630-681-0962 ext 132.

Your support allows the Western DuPage Special Recreation Association (WDSRA) to continue to provide quality recreational programming, qualified staff, specialized equipment, needed scholarships, and ensures that the cost of programs stay low.

### **"Springtime in Paris"**

"Springtime In Paris" is the 2009 theme of the Bloomingdale Women's Club 34th Annual Fashion Show on Sunday, April 26. Fashions from Carsons, Mona Lisa, Sassy's, Brides by Demetrios, York Furs and Men's Warehouse will be featured. This year's charity is Little Friends, Inc. a private, non-profit organization serving children and adults with disabilities. The agency operates to help senior adults, including early intervention, alternative schools, family support, respite care, vocational training, and community-based residential services.

One of the areas in which Little Friends has developed special expertise is in serving children with autism.

From diagnosing the disorder to providing intensive training in communication, social skills, self-help skills and more, the agency has helped hundreds of children make life-changing progress.

Little Friends was founded in 1965 and is based in Naperville. Each year the agency serves more than 800 people throughout DuPage, Kane, Kendall, Will, and western Cook County.

The luncheon and show will be at Alta Villa Banquets in Addison, starting a noon with lots of raffle prizes to win. Tickets will be available at the beginning of March, contact Candie at 630-462-0540 for reservations or more information.

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### Villagers Present 'Recession Fun for Women at Little or No Cost'

Get yourself out of the house for an evening of fun in 2009. All three programs listed begin at 6:30 p.m on the lower level of the Bloomingdale Public Library, 1010 Fairfield Way.

Due to the current recession, the Villagers of Bloomingdale are looking for ways to save money and cut back on expenses. So their February 5th program is back to the basics – "A Valentine Craft Project for your Valentine." Bring scissors, a glue stick and a snapshot of your Valentine. The club will supply the rest. No charge to anyone participating.

On March 5th the program will be an easy and fun game night with BUNCO 101, the latest craze to hit the women's groups. There will be prizes for winners of the evening.

On April 2nd, the Villagers will present their annual fashion show featuring the fashions of the Walk-In Closet, 107 S. Third Street in Old Town, where you can find beautiful clothes for women at reasonable prices. The Villagers will request a \$5 or \$10 donation for our local charities, for which you will receive a charity receipt. Refreshments will be served. More information on this event will appear in the next Almanac and in local newspapers.

For more information on any of the club or any of these programs, call Bette at 630-924-6861 or Joan at 630-529-9774.

### Come Meet President and Mrs. Lincoln

Max and Donna Daniels will be portraying President and Mrs. Lincoln at a coffee/tea hosted by the Bloomingdale Historical Society on March 8, 2009, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Bloomingdale Public Library, 101 Fairfield Way. Mrs. Lincoln will talk about the fashions of the day, showing some of them off. The President



will talk about his inauguration. We hope that anyone interested in Lincoln will join us. There is no charge. This will be the third time that the Lincolns, as portrayed by Mr. and Mrs. Daniels, have appeared in our village.

## Happy Anniversary!

Congratulations to the following Village Employees who celebrated special service anniversaries in 2008

### 30 Years

Rich Meyer  
Bob Maguire  
Tim Heffron  
Len Jaster

### 25 Years

Bob Jensen  
Julie Jaster  
Rob Blum  
Irene Jones

### 20 Years

Ed Lewis  
Bruce Beck  
Barb Kroll  
John Spikes  
Brian Healey  
Mike Gicla  
Frank Giammarese  
Tim Finnander  
Karen Maranto

### 15 Years

Carol Dublin  
Dawn Odoi  
Paul Alcozer  
Donna Hulata  
Sandy Aronson  
Randy Petersen  
Barb Weber

### 10 Years

Sam Bonilla  
Chris Hajduk  
Sue Hill

### Five Years

Liz Spontella  
Michelle Lukasz  
Kim Lukowski  
Terry Spradling

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## Parkway Damaged By Snow Plows? Let Us Know So We Can Do Repairs

The Public Works Division understands that there could be some damage to parkways due to snowplowing operations. It is Village policy to repair parkways in April, May, and early June, weather permitting, as this is the best time for the germination of grass seed.

Please call the Public Works Division at 630-671-5800 to inform us about damage to your parkway so we can put your location on the list.

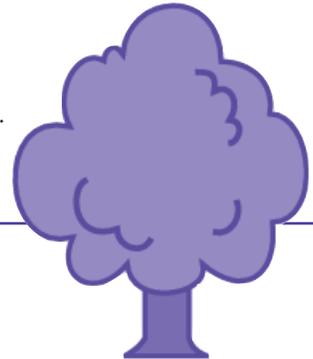


## Thinking About Trimming or Removing a Parkway Tree? You'll Need to Obtain a Permit

For any and all work by a resident or resident's contractor on a parkway tree, a permit is required by Ordinance No. 95-61, An Ordinance Regulating the Planting, Maintenance and Removal of Trees on Public Areas.

**Please Note:** Installing planter walls around parkway trees is work which requires a permit. The Village discourages the installation of planter walls around parkway trees because the parkway is Village property and the typical installation of a small diameter ring filled with soil is injurious to the tree. For those residents who have installed planter walls without permits, approval can be obtained by contacting James M. Johnson, Urban Forester, at 630-671-5804. The Village will be notifying residents of a violation when unacceptable planters are encountered.

The Village has a comprehensive, systematic pruning schedule which ensures each tree is trimmed every five years. Contract tree pruning occurs during February through April. In-house trimming can occur any time during the year. If a resident believes a parkway tree requires pruning, please contact the Forestry Division at 630-671-5800.



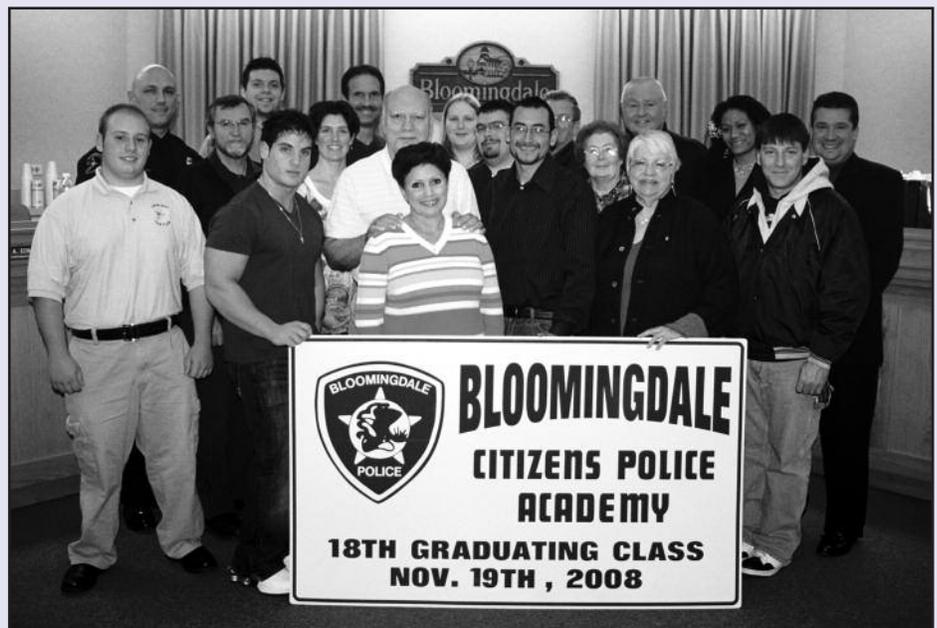
## Contract Tree Pruning To Begin in February

Ciosek Tree Service of Lombard, Illinois will begin parkway tree pruning for the Village in February. All trees with a diameter at breast height of eight or more inches will be pruned to improve tree health and structure in a careful and systematic manner. Areas included in this year's cycle are:

- Edgewater Subdivision
- Greenway Subdivision
- Byron Subdivision

## Congratulations Grads!

The 18th class of the Bloomingdale Citizens Police Academy graduated on November 19, 2008. Last year marked the 20th Year this program has been in existence in Bloomingdale. For information on the next academy for residents call Officer Dawn Odoi at 630-529-9868.





# Bloomington Fire Protection District #1



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## January & February Leading Months for Home Fires

Two recent fires in Bloomington have prompted the need to remind everyone that the winter months are especially hazardous. The Bloomington Fire Protection District and The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) urge residents to take extra fire safety precautions this winter in the wake of these incidents as well as several multiple fatality fires over the past few weeks that have occurred nationally.

According to NFPA, December, January and February are the leading months for home fires. In 2007 there were an estimated 399,000 home fires resulting in nearly 3,000 deaths. Cooking is the leading cause of home structure fires and home fire injuries. Smoking is the leading cause of home fire deaths. Heating ranks second in home fire deaths overall, but in one- or two-family dwellings it is the leading cause.

The Bloomington Fire Protection District and NFPA recommend the following key fire safety tips:

- **Watch your cooking**

Stay in the kitchen when you are frying, grilling, or broiling food. If you must leave, even for a short time, turn off the stove.



- **Give space heaters space**

Keep fixed and portable space heaters at least three feet from anything that can burn. Turn off heaters when you leave the room or go to sleep.

- **Smoke outside**

Ask smokers to smoke outside. Have sturdy, deep ashtrays for smokers.

- **Keep matches and lighters out of reach**

Keep matches and lighters up high, out of the reach of children, preferably in a cabinet with a child lock.



- **Inspect electrical cords**

Replace cords that are cracked, damaged, have broken plugs, or have loose connections.

- **Be careful when using candles**

Keep candles at least one foot from anything that can burn. Blow out candles when you leave the room or go to sleep.

- **Have a home fire escape plan**

Make a home fire escape plan and practice it at least twice a year.

- **Install smoke alarms on every level of your home, inside bedrooms and outside sleeping areas.**

Interconnect smoke alarms throughout the home. When one sounds, they all sound. Test smoke alarms at least once a month and replace batteries once a year or when the alarm "chirps" to tell you the battery is low. Replace any smoke alarm that is more than 10 years old.



- **Install carbon monoxide alarms**

Install CO alarms in a central location outside each separate sleeping area and on every level of the home and in other locations where required by applicable laws, codes or standards. For the best protection, interconnect all CO alarms throughout the home.

The Bloomington Fire Protection District is dedicated to your safety and well being. For more information about home fire safety or other topics, please contact Lieutenant Richard Kurka at 630-894-9080.



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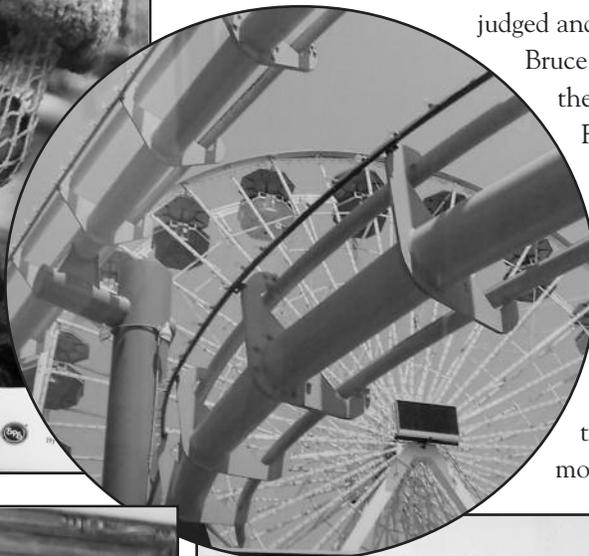
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## Shutterbugs' Talents on Display



The Bloomingdale Park District Museum, 108 S. Bloomingdale Road, is currently featuring "CLICK" a prestigious photography show. Awards were presented for both black/white and color photos! You won't be disappointed in this impressive show of talent! There will be over 100 pieces of photography (framed and unframed, reasonably priced), by outstanding photographers from in and around the Bloomingdale area. The pieces will be available for your viewing and/or purchase.



This annual show at the museum, which was judged and juried by Photographer Bruce VanPelt, will be open to the public through Saturday, February 21. Hours during exhibit only: Wed., 4-8 pm; Thurs./Fri. 10-4 pm and Sat. 12-4 pm. Admission - \$1 resident; \$2 nonresident; \$.50 children 12+ or seniors 62+). Please call the curators at 630-539-3096 for more info. Bring the family!

