

# Village of Bloomingdale

# Almanac

June 2015

Growth with Pride

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## Village Extends Thanks to Retiring Trustees Bob Czernek & Jim King



Trustee Bob Czernek receives a memento of his service from Mayor Franco as Trustee Jim King looks on.

At the Village Board meeting of May 11, 2015 friends, family and residents came out to say thank you to two gentlemen who have put a total of 43 years into service to the Village of Bloomingdale, 31 of them on the Village Board.

**Bob Czernek** served as a village trustee for 18 consecutive years. After spending two years on the Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals,

Bob was appointed to fill a vacancy on the Village Board in June 1997. He went on to run for office and win four more terms. During his tenure, Bob was Chairman of the Traffic & Street Infrastructure Committee, a member of the Old Town Review Committee and Bloomingdale Golf Course Advisory Committee. Most currently, he has been the chairman of the Golf

Course Operations Committee.

Bob has demonstrated his commitment to the community, not only through his elected position, but also as an active member of several local organizations, including the Chicagoland Italian-American Charitable Organization (CIACO) and the DuPage Area County Project (DuCAP), which works with underprivileged children.

**Jim King** has served on the Village Board twice. His first term was from April 1973-April 1977. During that time Bloomingdale hired its first administrator, annexed the Stratford Square property and saw its population quadruple to nearly 12,000. In 2006, he was appointed trustee to fill a vacancy and was subsequently elected (continued on page 5)



## New Trustees Sworn in on May 11

(L to r) New Trustee William Belmonte, incumbent Trustee Michael D. Hovde, Jr. and new Trustee Vince Ackerman were sworn in by Circuit Judge Paul Fullerton on May 11, 2015.

Coming together on the dais for the first time, the newly seated Village Board's inaugural action was to adopt Resolutions of Appreciation for retiring board members Jim King and Bob Czernek.

# Welcome to Bloomingdale!

## 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 7:00 p.m. – Village Hall

## COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

3rd Monday of the months January-March, May thru November. 1st and 3rd Monday in April. First Monday in December. 7:00 p.m. – Village Hall

## PLAN COMMISSION

1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month 7:00 p.m. – Village Hall

## ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Six times a year or as needed

## BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

3rd Thursday of every month 4:00 p.m. – Village Hall

## POLICE PENSION BOARD

Quarterly beginning in January 4th Monday 5:00 p.m. – Village Hall

## BUSINESS PROMOTION COMMITTEE

1st Friday of the month 9:00 a.m. – Village Hall

## LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

2nd Wednesday of every month 7:30 p.m. – Library

## SEPTEMBERFEST COMMISSION

2nd Thursday of the month February through November 6:30 p.m. – Village Hall

## BLOOMINGDALE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

3rd Thursday of the month 4:00 p.m. – Firehouse, 179 S. Bloomingdale Road



Have you noticed the activity at the NW corner of Lake Street & Bloomingdale Road? By mid-summer, the unoccupied corner of Lake Street & Bloomingdale Road will be a beautiful site with a 50-ft stone monument with the words Village of Bloomingdale stretched across it. A wrought-iron style fencing will stretch out some 45 feet to either side allowing Village banners featuring major community events to be tastefully displayed. The Bloomingdale Garden Club is currently working with the Village on a landscape design to complete the park-like location. *(Digitally enhanced photo)*

## Stay in Touch

Consider signing up for the Village's E-News, which would be delivered weekly to your email address.

This is a good way to keep up with timely information on news, services and events in and around town. And in the case of an unusual event, such as last winter's polar vortex, the Village is able to get out critical information to all subscribers as it becomes available.

To sign up for the E-News, go to [www.villageofbloomingdale.org](http://www.villageofbloomingdale.org) and click on Village News on the right side of the homepage. Click on "Sign Up for Village E-News." It's easy and free!



## Village of Bloomingdale Elected Officials

**Franco A. Coladipietro**  
Village President

**William Belmonte**  
Traffic and Streets

**Michael D. Hovde**  
Planning, Zoning  
& Environmental  
Concerns

**Jane E. Michelotti**  
Village Clerk

**Bill Bolen**  
Finance and  
Administration

**Vince Ackerman**  
Intergovernmental and  
Community Relations

### TRUSTEES

**Judi Von Huben**  
Public Safety

**Frank Bucaro**  
Facilities, Infrastructure

*Thank you to resident Mary Ellen Johnson for the photo of trillium in bloom in Meacham Grove West.*

## A Message from Mayor Franco

The month of May brought a change to our Village Board as Bob Czernek and Jim King both retired after many, many years of dedicated service to our community. I'd like to personally thank both Bob and Jim for their support and counsel during my first two years as Mayor. Their willingness to share both their experience and institutional knowledge made them an invaluable part of our team. Their commitment to Bloomingdale will long be remembered and appreciated.

At the same time I am grateful to have Michael Hovde, Jr. back for a second term, and welcome both Vince Ackerman and William Belmonte to the Village Board. Vince and Bill are enthusiastic about Bloomingdale and are committed to continuing our vision to re-image Bloomingdale and strengthen our business community.

As you have probably noticed, we have started construction of our new monument wall and I am very excited about the progress we have made to establish an identity at the northwest corner of Bloomingdale Road and Lake Street. Bloomingdale pretty much grew up around that intersection and I hope you will be pleased with what we are doing there to beautify our Lake Street corridor. Read more about it under the photo on p. 2. I am happy to say that we are partnering with the Bloomingdale Garden Club on the landscape plan for the site and thank them for their contributions. Watch the corner's transformation as the summer progresses, along with some new developments on Lake Street!

Speaking of summer, it's almost here and I hope you're looking forward to it as much as I am. There are so many family events in Bloomingdale - Sunshine Serenades at the library, Summer Reading Program, Lunchtime Funtime for kids in Old Town Park, Bloomingdale's Got Talent, the Oasis Pool, Tuesday evening concerts in Old Town Park, and exhibits at the Park District Museum, including a wonderful one on the Civil War, starting on June 27. There are also monthly car shows at Stratford Square Mall, National Night Out, a Heroes VS Half-Pints softball game, the Ice Cream Social and so much more.

Most of the events I mentioned are in this Almanac, but the Village's weekly E-news will bring you up-to-date on other events as we learn of them. Or "Like" us on Facebook to catch the latest post!

Enjoy the sunshine!

Mayor Franco



*Both Mayor Franco and Village Clerk Jane Michelotti couldn't pass up an opportunity to pick up some great flowers and veggies at the Bloomingdale Garden Club Flower Sale.*



## It's Easy to be Green In Bloomingdale

### Shredding Event

BHHS Starck Realtors  
181 S. Bloomingdale Road  
Saturday, July 18 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

### Electronic Recycling

#### Bloomingdale Township:

Electronics may be brought to the Highway Dept at 6N030 Rosedale Ave in Bloomingdale on the first Saturday of every month from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (except for holiday weekends). The Township program limited to residents with proof of residency. Visit [www.bloomingdaletownship.com](http://www.bloomingdaletownship.com) for details.

### Prescription Medicine:

Bloomingdale Police Department, 201 S. Bloomingdale. The program is for unused prescriptions and expired over-the-counter drugs generated by residents. No commercial or institutional waste will be accepted. Please remove medications from original container and put in a plastic bag before dropping off to any location. Any personal information should be blacked out for safety. Never place loose needles/sharps into waste or recycling bins.



### SCARCE Environmental Education 630-545-9710

The permanent Household Hazardous Waste collection has a NEW LOCATION!

156 Fort Hill Drive  
(Fort Hill Dr. and Jefferson Ave.)  
Naperville

For more information on times & accepted items -

<http://www.scarcecoed.org/>

SCARCE also offers Holiday Light Recycling all year long.

Visit <http://www.dupageco.org> to download a copy of the 2015 Recycling Guide from DuPage County.



# Water System Protection

## Latex Paint Recycling Available June 15-July 15

Latex Paint Recycling takes place at Woodridge Greene Valley Wastewater Treatment Facility, 7900 S Route 53, Woodridge from June 15, 2015 - July 15, 2015, Mon - Fri, 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. and Saturday, July 11, 2015, 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Residents can drop off their usable unwanted latex paint during the designated summer collections listed above free of charge. Usable paint is paint that has not been frozen, is less than 10 years in age and has not been mixed with other products. The paint will be filtered and re-blended into a variety of colors, types, and finishes. The recycled latex paint will be distributed to residents for free beginning June 22nd during the same hours and location. Paint is offered free of charge to any resident, business, non-profit etc. in 5-gallon containers.

Leftover **unusable** latex paint should be consolidated into one container and dried with cat litter, sawdust or another absorbent material (ie. oil absorbent). Once the paint is completely dry, it can be put out with regular garbage curbside pickup. Be sure to remove the lid on the paint can, so the waste company driver can see that the paint is dry.



**Editor's note:** We received several questions from readers regarding the article published in the April Almanac regarding Cross Connection Control Devices. We hope the article below clarifies those questions.

Community public water supplies are required by State regulations to maintain active cross-connection control programs to protect the safety of water consumers. Increased health and safety protection for water consumers necessitated by recent backflow incidents across the country and within Illinois have increased enforcement of cross-connection regulations.

### CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL DEVICE

- **Compliance is required for commercial and residential connections** - Don't forget your annual inspection for your cross-connection control device for your irrigation system will be due in the month of May. Reminder letters were distributed in the 1st week of May. Failure to have the device tested and certified will result in the disconnection of water service and will not be restored until compliance with IEPA requirements and the Village Code is verified and a \$250 reconnection fee is paid. The inspection and certification must be performed by a licensed plumber; for further protection consider hiring a plumber trained in cross-connection control to check your home.



- **Compliance is suggested** - residents are also encouraged to install a hose bib (sill cock) vacuum breaker on every single hose bib (sill cock) to isolate garden hose applications thus protecting the potable water supply, which is the most common offender of contamination. The device can be purchased at any local hardware store for less than \$7.00.



For more information, please contact the Village of Bloomingdale Water Production Division at 630-671-5830 or email [ccsurvey@vil.bloomington.il.us](mailto:ccsurvey@vil.bloomington.il.us)

## Annual Water Report Available Online

The Water Quality Report for 2015 can be viewed online at <http://www.villageofbloomington.org/730/Water-Quality-Report-Calendar-Year-2014> This report contains important information about the source and quality of your drinking water during 2014.

If you would like a copy of the 2015 Annual Quality Report mailed to your home, please call 630-671-5830.



### No Change in 4th of July Refuse Pickup

There will be no holiday change to the garbage pick-up schedule as the 4th of July holiday falls on Saturday this year.

## Hydrant Flushing Begins June 1

**Reminder:** The Village Services - Utilities Division will be performing the annual Hydrant Flushing Program beginning June 1, through June 18. The program will be performed during the daytime hours of 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.



Please DO NOT WASH LAUNDRY during the flushing hours, as rust staining of the clothing may result. Residents with water softeners are encouraged to check the cycle time of their softeners so that the unit does not regenerate during this period. The schedule was published on p. 10 of the April 2015 *Almanac*, but you can check when your area will be affected through the link on the Village's home page at [www.villageofbloomingdale.org](http://www.villageofbloomingdale.org)

Questions? Please contact the Water Distribution Division at 630-671-5830.

## Free Mulch Available at Village's Public Works Facility

Following the three scheduled branch collections – Spring, Summer and Fall, the contractor tub grinds the branches, as well as Village wood waste, into a high quality mulch product. This mulch is used on Village properties and is available for pick up to all Village residents for home use.

Mulch is currently available at the Public Works Facility, 305 Glen Ellyn Road, 7:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Please bring containers, a shovel and gloves, as well as proof of residency.

For more information, call the Forestry Division at 630-671-5800.



## Dispose of Flags Respectfully

Just a reminder that there is a Flag Drop Box located next to the Founders Gazebo near the corner of Bloomingdale Road and Fairfield Way.

Bloomingdale VFW Post 7539 sponsored the placement of the repository to ensure flags are disposed of properly. VFW member Jerry Bertrand has collected and burned well over 12,000 flags in the last eight years the flag drop box has been there.

## Retiring Trustees

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to two more full terms, for a total of 13 years.

In between his terms as trustee, Jim was a member of the Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals from 1994-2006, serving the last 10 years as Chairman. As Trustee, he has been the Board Liaison to a number of inter-governmental organizations, and Liaison for Community Communications including the Village Almanac, Village website, Septemberfest Commission and Library Board. Trustee King also demonstrated his commitment to the community, as an active member of St. Isidore Church, the Bloomingdale Lions Club (41 years), and Friends of the Library.

Bob Czernek and Jim King were each acknowledged for their dedication and commitment to Bloomingdale with a resolution recognizing and expressing appreciation for their years of exemplary service.



## Summer Branch Collection Begins July 20



The Summer Branch Collection will be performed under the direction of the Village Forestry Division beginning on Monday, July 20. This free service is only available to single family detached residences.

Branches must be out by 7:00 a.m. on Monday, July 20, but should not be placed at the curb/pavement edge more than one week earlier.

For more information about branch pickup guidelines, go to [www.villageofbloomingdale.org](http://www.villageofbloomingdale.org) and type in "branch pickup" in "Search this site" on the right side at the top of the homepage or call the Forestry Division at 630-671-5800.

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

# Winnebago Cub Scout Pack 414 Digs In to Plant 200 Seedling Trees

## Army Trail to be Closed for Railroad Crossing Repairs Beginning June 21

Canadian National Railway has scheduled repairs of the Army Trail Road grade crossing commencing at 8 a.m. on June 21, 2015 and concluding on or before 6 p.m. on June 27, 2015. Complete closure of Army Trail Road (from Gary Avenue to County Farm Road) will be required for the duration of the project.

A proposed detour route utilizes Gary Avenue to the north, Schick Road to the west and County Farm Road to the south. Advance closure signs will be displayed 14 days prior to the actual road closure.



Winnebago Cub Scout Pack 414, along with some friends and family, made quick work of planting 200 seedling White Swamp Oak and Sugar Maple trees on April 25 at the Bloomington Public Works. It was a rainy day, but that didn't dampen the enthusiasm of these young citizens. The potted seedling trees will be nurtured by staff at Public Works until they are big enough to be planted at various locations throughout the village. Thanks, kids!

## New This Year - Bloomington Community Giving Garden

Three gardens, located at the north end of Springfield Park, will be planted, tended, and harvested by the Bloomington Garden Club, Roselle Park District Garden Club, and University of Illinois Extension DuPage Master Gardeners. ALL produce will be donated to the Bloomington Township Food Pantry and other local food pantries to help those in need.

**Coming in 2016:** Community members may rent a garden space; plant, tend, and harvest their produce; and get to know other like-minded gardeners. All community giving gardeners will be encouraged to periodically donate a portion of their produce for area food pantries. A "Donation Station" will be on site. Garden Club members and the Master Gardeners will transport donated produce to the food pantries.

Watch for the 2016 Winter/Spring Bloomington Park District brochure to learn how you can become a Community Giving Gardener.

The Partners in this endeavor are Bloomington Park District, Bloomington Garden Club, Roselle Park District Garden Club, University of Illinois Extension DuPage Master Gardeners and the Village of Bloomington. Donors include Ball Horticulture, Len's Ace Hardware and Mayor Franco Coladipietro.



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## SCAM ALERTS: What to Know and Do About Scams in the News

Crooks use clever schemes to defraud millions of people every year. Here are some of the latest scams to look out for.

### Amazon Gift Card Scam

If a merchant other than Amazon.com asks you to pay using an Amazon gift card, it's probably a scam. In fact, Amazon's gift card terms don't allow you to use Amazon gift cards to make payments anywhere besides Amazon.com and a few specific sites. During checkout, you're instructed to purchase an Amazon gift card and then hand over the gift card information as payment. Unfortunately, if you do, you'll be out the money and you won't get anything in return.

These scammers know that bad reviews scare people away, so they may post a few positive reviews about the site. They shut down the site before people post complaints – usually in less than a month – and open under a new name somewhere else.

### Package Delivery Scam – Delivered To Your Inbox

Expecting packages shipped to your home? Scammers are too.

There's a phony "delivery failure notification" e-mail making the rounds that says you missed a delivery. It looks like it's from the U.S. Postal Service – but it's not. It says that if you "print the attached form and take it to your local post office, you can pick up your package and avoid penalties." The message might also include a link for more details.

Here's the truth: the e-mail is bogus and there is no package. And if you download the attachment or click on a link, you're likely to end up with a virus or malware on your device.

A sure sign an e-mail is a scam - if you hover over the link in the e-mail, it won't show the official website of the supposed sender – in this case, the U.S. Postal Service website.

Stay a step ahead with the latest information and practical tips from the nation's consumer protection agency. Browse FTC scam alerts by visiting the following website: [www.consumer.ftc.gov/scam-alerts](http://www.consumer.ftc.gov/scam-alerts).

Questions or concerns? contact Officer Dawn Odoi at (630) 529-9868.



Welcome to new patrol officers (l to r) Michael Giovenca, Yelana Malinovskaya and Joseph Battaglia, hired to replace department members who've retired or moved out of state. They are currently in field training with our officers. Welcome Aboard!



## Illinois Law Enforcement Torch Run Events

Sunday, June 7 marks the 2015 Illinois Law Enforcement Torch Run, the single largest year-round fundraising event benefiting Special Olympics Illinois. Watch for more information on the Bloomingdale Police Department Facebook page.



John Johnson wears the 2015 SO hat & t-shirt, as well as his gold medal for the 100-meter dash.

**For sale:** The Bloomingdale Police Department also has 2015 Torch Run items for sale: T-shirt, \$15; Baseball Cap, \$15; Torch Run Pin, \$5; all three for \$25.

For more information or to make a donation to Special Olympics, call Officer Dominick Corsiglia or Officer Jin Han at 630-529-9868.



# CHARACTER COUNTS! Announces 2015 Awards

## Masterpiece Framing Receives CHARACTER COUNTS Business Award



**Masterpiece Framing** located at 109 S. Bloomingdale Road, received the Character Counts business award. For eight years, the frame shop's owner, **Matt Puchalski**, served as a volunteer judge for a district-wide Lions Club photography contest. In addition, his frame shop matted the photos for inclusion in a silent auction for charity. He has also provided gifts-in-kind to the local Boy Scouts as well as to the Bloomingdale Chamber of Commerce.

## Don't Forget Our Troops

Bloomingdale VFW Post 7539 continues to send monthly care packages to our troops overseas. You would be surprised at the variety of small items that are so appreciated by our troops. Please look at <http://vfw7539.org/supportourtroops.htm> for suggestions. Items can be dropped off at the Bloomingdale Fire Station, 179 S. Bloomingdale Road.



**2015 CHARACTER COUNTS! AWARD HONOREES:** (l to r) Cyndi Bringer, Helen Price, Cynthia Hunn, Michael Hovde, Jr., Sandy VanGundy, Matt Pulchalski (Masterpiece Framing) Kathy Ogden, Gerald Marshall, John Vertnik and Kandy Jones.

**Cyndi Bringer** – Recognized for volunteer work she performs after school as a teacher at Westfield Middle School involving students in various after school events and for her compassionate and caring nature.

**Michael D. Hovde, Jr.** – Recognized for exhibiting outstanding traits of caring, good citizenship and leadership in various community entities, including School District 13 Education Foundation, Bloomingdale Parks Foundation, Chamber of Commerce, and Lake Park Student to Business Partnership.

**Cynthia Hunn** – Recognized for her volunteer service at DuJardin School as an active parent, assisting both teachers and students and for her leadership in DuJardin's 50th Anniversary celebration, as well as her commitment to the District 13 Education Foundation.

**Kandy Jones** – Recognized for her service to various community organizations and events, including Bloomingdale Historical Society's Memorial Day Remembrance, school presentations at District 13, CHARACTER COUNTS! Coalition, and for her memorable book readings as the Library's School Liaison.

**Kathy Ogden** – Recognized for her service and dedication to School District 13 students, staff, school board, and community, including promoting and supporting fundraisers, organizing meal deliveries, and for her active participation in the American Cancer Society Relay for Life.

**Gerald Marshall** – Recognized for many years of community service as a youth baseball manager, Stratford Lakes Home Owner's Association, Bloomingdale Chamber's 50 Men Who Cook, Bloomingdale-Roselle Rotary community service projects, and for his youth academic intervention mentoring.

**Helen Price** – Recognized for promotion of the Bloomingdale Garden Club and Bloomingdale Artist Association events. She was also recognized for assisting with the Village's Salvation Army Angel Tree and DuPage PADS holiday meal collections.

**Sandy Van Gundy** – Recognized for her long standing commitment to the Bloomingdale CHARACTER COUNTS! Coalition, Sandy was also recognized for the caring she demonstrates on a daily basis supervising, mentoring, and motivating park district staff, and for going out of her way to assist customers.

**John Vertnik** - Long time Bloomingdale resident, realtor and volunteer, John was recognized for his 22 years of volunteer service on the Bloomingdale Business Promotion Committee and for his 44 years of service (longest member) to the Bloomingdale Lions Club.

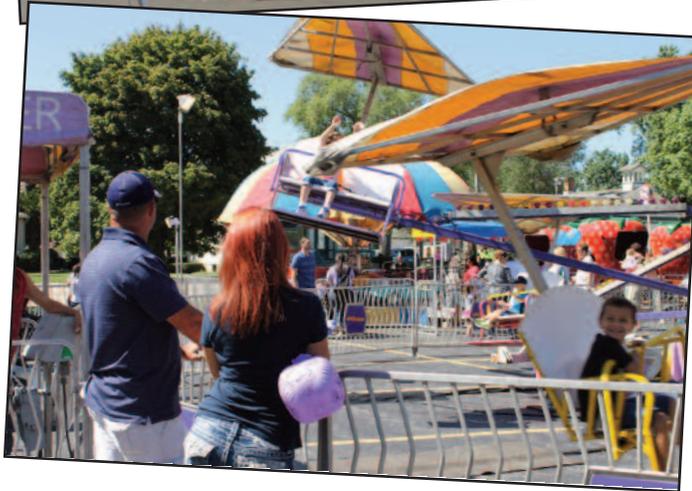
# Septemberfest 2015



It's not quite summer yet, but plans for the 42nd annual Septemberfest are well underway. Held on Saturday, September 12 in Old Town (Lake & Bloomingdale), the full day begins with the annual parade stepping off from DuJardin School at 11a.m. and emptying into the Old Town area.



Returning will be the food vendor and crafter booths, a variety of entertainment and the traditional evening crowd-pleasing band performance. This year Hi-Infidelity will rock the stage. Recipients of the Joe Draghi Septemberfest Scholarship will be presented shortly after the opening ceremonies and the ever-popular car show begins at 12:30.



Also returning this year will be the family amusement rides hosted at the St. Paul Church parking lot across from Old Town. The rides will be open for "preview night" from 5 – 10 p.m. on Friday September 11 with a special wristband price. Rides will reopen at Noon on Saturday and remain open until 10:00 p.m. on Saturday night.

Applications for food vendors, crafters, parade participants, and car show exhibitors can be found on the village's website at [www.villageofbloomingdale.org/258/Septemberfest](http://www.villageofbloomingdale.org/258/Septemberfest)

Plan to join your friends and neighbors at Bloomingdale's traditional end of the summer event.



## Be a Friend to Septemberfest and the Joe Draghi Septemberfest Scholarship!

The Septemberfest Commission would like to invite all Bloomingdale residents and businesses to support the Joe Draghi Septemberfest Scholarship Fund. This fund annually provides scholarships to Bloomingdale residents between the ages of 16 and 20.

If you have enjoyed Septemberfest, have been a scholarship recipient, or are the parent of a recipient, won't you please consider a contribution to help keep the Joe Draghi Septemberfest Scholarship going? Any donation would be greatly appreciated.

Name (as you wish it to be listed)

Address

Phone

Email

I am enclosing a check for  
 \$20  \$50  other

Make your check or money order payable to the Village of Bloomingdale. Please put "Septemberfest Scholarship 2015" in the memo line.

Mail to:  
Friends of Septemberfest,  
c/o Village of Bloomingdale,  
201 S. Bloomingdale Road,  
Bloomingdale, IL 60108.



Scholarship sponsor Susan Sargent of B'dale Bank & Trust, Scholar Hristo Ganev, Mayor Franco & scholarship sponsor Mark Michalak of Jersey Mike's.

# DuPage Regional Business Outlook Focuses on Doing Business in Illinois



## 'Take a Bite Out of Crime' on August 4

The Bloomingdale Police Department and the Bloomingdale Park District sponsor the 32nd Annual National Night Out Against Crime, on Tuesday, August 4, from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Bloomingdale Park District and Circle Park area. Hot dogs, hamburgers, chips, cookies, etc. will be provided free of cost between 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. The pool is open to all attending the event and organized games and prizes are scheduled. Any questions, contact Officer Dawn Odoi at (630) 529-9868. This evening thanks the Neighborhood Watch Block Captains and participating residents. Please consider joining us for this free, fun, family event and help us to "Take a Bite Out of Crime!" In conjunction with the event, the annual "Heroes VS Half-Pint Baseball game takes place at 7 p.m. in Circle Park. See p.12 for more details.



Mayor Franco attended the DuPage County Regional Business Outlook on May 5 at the Drury Lane Conference Center. The event was well attended and the crowd had an opportunity to hear from Governor Rauner about our economic condition and opportunities to leverage the many advantages of doing business in Illinois!" In addition, Diane Swonk, Chief Economist and Senior Managing Director of Mesirow Financial, (an independent diversified financial services firm) provided a glimpse into her views on the national economy in a period of sluggish growth. She advised the crowd to remain cautiously optimistic as the economy moves further into 2015. Pictured (l to r) are RTA Chairman Kirk Dillard, DuPage County Chairman Dan Cronin, Mayor Franco and former DuPage County Chairman Bob Schillerstrom.

## Help Prevent Polluted Runoff Water

Polluted runoff water, occurs when rain and melting snow carry pollutants from streets, parking lots, yards and construction sites, and wash them into our storm drains. Some of these pollutants are motor oil, anti-freeze, commercial fertilizers, and pesticides.

Bloomingdale residents, you can help!

Your everyday activities can have a large impact on the water quality in and around the Village of Bloomingdale. By taking simple steps around your home or business, you can help to reduce the amount of polluted water, which enters our storm drains and makes its way untreated, to our local waterways. Please keep debris from homes, lawns, pets, and vehicles out of all storm drains. Remember, anything that enters a storm drain is untreated when it eventually finds its way into a lake, river, or stream.

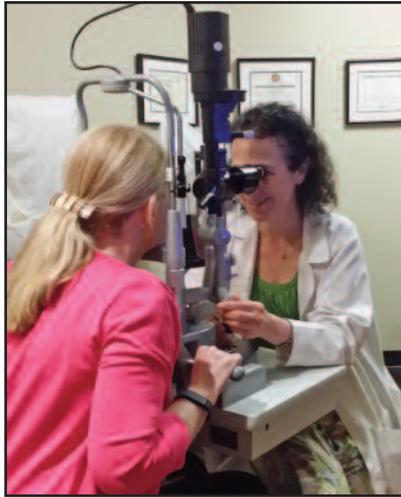
**Household Hazardous Waste:** Never dump any kind of household hazardous waste into a storm drain! These are items such as paint, varnish, cleaners, acids, etc. These items need to be taken to an approved hazardous waste recycling center.

**Report Spills & Other Water Pollution:** Report all spills that are potentially life threatening or hazardous in nature by calling 911.



## Looking Forward: Wohl Eye Center celebrates 25 Years serving the Bloomingdale area

**Wohl Eye Center** was founded as a solo practice in 1991 by Dr. Lisa G. Wohl at the Willowlake Centre, located at 303 E Army Trail Road. Dr. Wohl selected Bloomingdale for her practice location because of the "home town feel" and the fact that there were no ophthalmology practices serving the Bloomingdale community. Since that time, the practice has grown into a multi-subspecialty eye center, including five board-certified specialists in refractive, glaucoma, cornea, retina, oculoplastics and two optometrists. The practice has a full service optical shop and offers the convenience of an Audibel hearing center within the facility. Wohl Eye Center is proud to have been among the first practices in the western suburbs to offer recently FDA-approved laser-assisted cataract surgery using the femtosecond laser.



*Dr. Lisa Wohl examines a patient using a slit lamp microscope.*

Dr. Wohl now serves as the Medical Director and is active in clinical research for new medications for dry eye disease and glaucoma. She is proud to have been awarded the integrity award by the leadership of GlenOaks Hospital for her efforts to go above and beyond her daily duties. She continues to serve on the leadership team at the hospital.

For more information visit [www.wohleyecenter.com](http://www.wohleyecenter.com). Eye care services are available by calling 630-351-2030 for an appointment Monday-Saturday with some evening appointments available. There is always an eye doctor on call for after-hours emergencies.

## Save the date – Eagle Falls Grand Opening Festival!

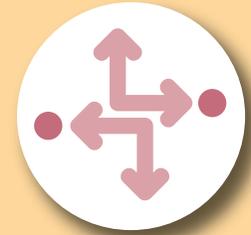
June 27, 2015, 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Help us celebrate our new name and our new office at our Grand Opening Festival! Eagle Falls Dentistry (formerly Associated Dental Care) is inviting you to join us on Saturday June 27 for our festival of fun!

Activities include:

- Live music on the Eagle's Nest Stage!
- Free prizes and giveaways all day
- "Dunk a Doc" dunk tank
- Food and drinks will be provided
- Bouncy house and carnival games for the kids!

R.S.V.P. at [www.eventbrite.com/e/eagle-falls-dentistry-grand-opening-festival-tickets-16980991603](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/eagle-falls-dentistry-grand-opening-festival-tickets-16980991603)



## 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**

### Welcome to These New Businesses

#### Lacquer Nails

156 E. Lake Street Unit H

#### R Platinum Car Wash

102 E. Lake Street

#### Capone's Pizza

360 W. Schick Road

#### Palmer's Gymnastics

266 Glen Ellyn Road

#### Choice Home Health

113 Fairfield Way Ste. 203

Congrats to Crave Café on Lake St in Springbrook Shopping Center for being listed on "A Suburbanite's Things to Do" in the Daily Herald under Dining. "...this cheery counter-service sandwich spot is big on flavor but ultra-easy on wallets."



# Community Events

## Planning A Garage Sale?



There is no cost or permit necessary to hold a garage or yard sale; however, the person conducting the sale must notify the police department of the sale prior to the start of the sale.

No more than three rummage or garage sales may be held on the same premises in any calendar year. Each may not be more than three consecutive days and can only take place between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

There are also requirements relative to garage sale signs, including size and placement restrictions.

## Upcoming Area Garage Sales

**The Villas and Country Club Estates**  
June 12 & 13  
9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

**Westlake Townhome Association**  
June 12, 13, 14  
9 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Stop by the Clubhouse, 299 Edgewater Drive, for map of participating residences.

**Westwind**  
Saturday, June 13  
9 a.m.- 5 p.m.  
Westside of Glen Ellyn Road, south of Golf Club

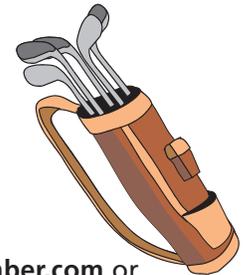
**Springbrook Villas**  
June 26 & 27  
9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

## Relay for Life June 12

Relay for Life, Roselle, Bloomingdale, Itasca and Medinah takes place from 6 p.m. until midnight on June 12, 2015 at Lake Park High School East Campus in Roselle. The funds raised by this event go for cancer research, education, early detection programs, advocacy and support programs. To take part in any way, contact Event Chairperson Maryann Grygirl at 630-893-6647 or email [mobysmom2k1@yahoo.com](mailto:mobysmom2k1@yahoo.com)

## Chamber Golf Outing on June 27

At Bloomingdale Golf Club  
Registration & Breakfast 7:30 a.m.  
Shotgun start (Best Ball) 8:30 a.m.  
Pig Roast 1:30 p.m.  
Tickets \$125.00 per person.  
For more information, go to [www.bloomingdalechamber.com](http://www.bloomingdalechamber.com) or call 630-980-9082.



## Bloomingdale Lions Golf Outing July 30

Bloomingdale Lions Club Annual Charity Golf Challenge on Thursday, July 30 at Bloomingdale Golf Club. 11:30 a.m. Lunch; 1:00 p.m. Shotgun Start. \$125 per person. Contact [spoplonski@earthlink.net](mailto:spoplonski@earthlink.net) for more information or tickets. Proceeds benefit Camp Lions for visually and hearing impaired youngsters.

## St. Paul Vacation Bible School July 20-24

St. Paul Church Vacation Bible School will be July 20-24, 2015 from 6:30-8:30 each night. The theme this year is "International Spy Academy." Registration forms are available by contacting the church office at (630) 980-9196 or on the website at [www.stpaulbloomingdale.org](http://www.stpaulbloomingdale.org). VBS is offered for students 3 years old - 5th grade.



## Cruise Nights!

Stratford Square Mall will be hosting Daily Herald Cruise Nights from 5-8 p.m. on Wednesdays, June 17, July 15 and August 19, featuring no less than 350 cars per show. There will also be a Kids' Zone for children's activities. Visit [www.stratfordmall.com](http://www.stratfordmall.com) for details.

## Heroes vs. Half Pints on August 4

Heroes VS Half Pints Softball Game - takes place on August 4 - 7:15-8:30 p.m. at Circle Park FREE! Middle School players entering grades five through nine showcase their skills against the Bloomingdale Police Department at the 10th annual Heroes vs. Half-Pints Softball Showdown. Registered players receive a T-shirt. This event is held in conjunction with National Night Out. Please register with the Park District online or at the front desk, 179 S. Circle. Program # 402361-A1



## Upcoming Garden Club Programs

**Tuesday, July 21 - Shade Gardening - Beyond Hosta, 6:30 pm:** Patricia Hill designs gardens with plants native to our region. Planting ephemerals, forbs, sedges, and shrubs in partial and full shade offers many interesting alternatives to hostas. Explore unconventional options using unusual plant material. Visit Patricia's website at [www.naturalmidwestgarden.com](http://www.naturalmidwestgarden.com). Visitors are welcome.

**Tuesday, August 18 - Incredible Bats!, 6:30 pm:** Dan and Sharon Peterson, along with their Egyptian Fruit and African Straw-Colored Bats, have been educating people about bats since 1996. Dan and Sharon love bats, and their program will dispel myths as well as explain the many benefits of these misunderstood and feared creatures. Check out their website, [www.incrediblebats.com](http://www.incrediblebats.com).

Contact [bloomingtondalegardenclub@gmail.com](mailto:bloomingtondalegardenclub@gmail.com) or visit [www.bloomingtondalegardenclub.org](http://www.bloomingtondalegardenclub.org) for additional information and membership details.

## Join Interdependence Day on July 5

Bloomingtondale Church invites residents to join in its 5th annual community-wide food drive to stock the four food pantries in our community. Grocery bags will be left at residents' front doors on Sunday, June 28 to be filled with nonperishable goods. Bring the bags of food to Circle Park on July 5 from 1 to 4 p.m. and join us in celebrating our Interdependence by honoring God, our Veterans, and by collecting food for food pantries.

Park by Westfield School or Circle Park on Fairfield, next to the Bloomingtondale Park District Oasis. We will celebrate with a patriotic service, followed by a picnic with fresh produce and 300 pounds of meat smoked and prepared by Bloomingtondale residents David & Tiffany Diaz. There will be fun, games, face painting, music, and activities for everyone. For more information, visit [www.bloomingtondalechurch.org/interdependenceday](http://www.bloomingtondalechurch.org/interdependenceday).

## Day Camp 2015 @ Bloomingtondale Church

Bloomingtondale Church Day Camp 2015 (June 16-19th) welcomes all children who have completed kindergarten through the 6th grade. At this year's day camp, the Bloomingtondale Church campus (264 Glen Ellyn Road) will be transformed into Sunshine Farm. The children will be focusing on basic skills of growing crops and also learning about "growing" the important personal qualities of love, patience, kindness, and joy and the Character Counts qualities of trustworthiness, respect and caring, as well as enjoying fun games, fishing and music.



Pre-register at [www.bloomingtondalechurch.org/daycamp](http://www.bloomingtondalechurch.org/daycamp). Parents can also register their children via traditional mail or in person from 9-9:30 a.m. each morning of Day Camp. There are no fees. If you have any questions, visit [www.children@bloomingtondalechurch.org](mailto:www.children@bloomingtondalechurch.org) or call 630-894-0090.



## Park District Museum Exhibit Closes June 6

**BAA Members Spring Show: "Think Outside the Box"**

**Gallery I:** The work in this Bloomingtondale Artist Association (BAA) show is the result of their latest project and routinely includes watercolor, oil, acrylic, photography, decoupage, sculpture, pen/ink, pastels, colored pencils, charcoal and more. Selected works will be offered for sale; negotiation/delivery details will be handled by the artists. The BAA is holding a "Think Outside the BOX" silent auction to benefit its scholarship fund. The handmade boxes are on display as part of its current exhibition.



**Gallery II: fotoMuses: "Images à la Sauvette" (Images on the Run)**

In this exhibit, the fotoMuses pay homage to the great Henri Cartier-Bresson using the original title of a collection of his photographs, "Images à la Sauvette" (Images on the Run).

The exhibitions run through June 6. Museum hours during the exhibition are 4 to 8 p.m., Wednesdays; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Thursdays and Fridays; and noon to 4 p.m., Saturdays. The Museum is open ONLY during exhibitions.

# Around and About Town

## Celebrating A Century



Mary Claire Kwilosz

Family members and friends joined Mary Claire Kwilosz as she celebrated her 100th birthday on April 30, 2015 at Alden Valley Ridge.

A native of Pennsylvania, Mary Claire spent much of her life in Chicago. She and Walter (her late husband of 57 years) raised five children on the south side of Chicago. Today the family includes nine grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Mary Claire has always had a special place in her heart for those less fortunate, is dedicated to her family and enjoyed a passion for gardening.

Mayor Franco proclaimed April 30, 2015 as Mary Claire Kwilosz Day in Bloomingdale and stated "Her generous spirit and love for family is an inspiration to us all."

## Bloomingdale Artists Association Awards 1st Scholarship

The Bloomingdale Artists Association awarded its first scholarship to Jennifer Guitian Mora, a student at College of DuPage. Born and raised in Maracaibo, Venezuela, Jennifer earned a Bachelor's Degree and worked as a sociologist in her hometown until she and her husband came to the United States for a better future. The young woman developed an interest in photography, having taken a few courses over the years. Now enrolled as a full time student at College of DuPage, Jennifer is pursuing an Associate Degree in Applied Science, Photography.



The original scholarship amount was \$500, but in memory of longtime BAA member Jackye Revely, her husband Jerry generously added another \$500, so Jennifer was awarded \$1,000! She is pictured here with Jerry. Jennifer's award winning photos are featured in the Spring Show at the Park District Museum, 108 S. Bloomingdale Road, through June 6.

## Northern Illinois Food Bank Honors Fred Bernsee

The Northern Illinois Food Bank named Bloomingdale resident Fred Bernsee Volunteer of the Year for the West Suburban Center in Geneva. The retired civil engineer works behind the scenes at the food bank's West Suburban Center two days a week logging volunteer hours into the volunteer database, as well as being a leader for other office volunteers and a valuable resource for the Food Bank.



"When I retired I needed meaningful things to do," said Fred, who began volunteering at the Food Bank in 2013. "I just want to help out society in general, and I really like the people at the Food Bank. Plus, it's a great facility to work in."



**First pitch:** In recognition of Bloomingdale's 1st Responders, Officer Dawn Odoi, along with Fire Chief Jeff Janus threw out the first pitch at the Bloomingdale Baseball & Softball Association's (BBSA) Opening Day Ceremony on Sunday, April 26. The two are pictured here with team members Bloomingdale Blast Gabriella Melchiorre, and Bloomingdale Colt Alec Verven.

## Officer Dawn Odoi Honored as 'Hometown Hero'

Bloomingtondale Police Officer Dawn Odoi was recognized as a "Hometown Hero" at the Chicago Wolves hockey game on Sunday, April 19th. Here she participated in the National Anthem Ceremony with Wayne Messmer.



Officer Odoi has been a member of the Bloomingtondale Police Department for 22 years. She is well known in the community for her work with our senior citizens, as well as with youngsters and teens.

## Garage Sale Safety Tips

Warm weather is here and it is the perfect time of year for holding a garage sale to declutter and pass along your items to be someone else's treasure. Here are some safety tips to help keep your sale on the safe side.

**Lock up the house** – Always keep your house locked and secure windows to minimize the risk of someone entering your home while you are preoccupied.

**Never allow anyone to go inside your house** – A request to use the restroom (even for a child) may occur, but it would be best to direct them to the nearest gas station, restaurant, or shopping area. A "NO RESTROOM AVAILABLE" sign may avoid such a request. Also, a full length mirror can be posted outside for those wanting to try on clothes.

**Keep your yard and garage clear of hazards** – This includes tripping hazards, low tree branches, unstable tables, large objects on the edge of tables, etc.

**Don't leave electrical appliances and tools plugged in or batteries in battery-powered tools** – People may trip over the power cords or pull the appliance down onto other things. Children (or some adults) might accidentally turn on something dangerous.

**Always have at least two adults present during your garage sale** – Three would be better, in which one person could check on the posted signs or run errands (ex. lunch).

**Greet everyone who walks up** – Make sure they know you have seen them.

**Be visible** – resist the urge to go inside when there is no-one around. You may miss some customers and some of your merchandise while you are inside.

**Position yourself at the front of your garage in view of the street** – Apart from helping to make sure your garage sale doesn't look deserted (a bad sign to people as they slowly drive by). It is safer for you than being at the back of your garage sale where you can't be seen from the street.



## VFW Scholarship

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.

Bloomingtondale VFW Post 7539 is offering up to \$600 to the winner or winners of the local level "VFW Voice of Democracy Scholarship," a competition open to students in grades 9-12, who are enrolled in a public, private or parochial high school or home study program in the U.S. To be eligible for the Post 7539 award, students must reside in the Bloomingtondale-Roselle-Medinah area and be high school age. Post winners advance to district, then possibly to state. A recent Lake Park winner was awarded \$1450 in local & regional scholarship funds.

This year's topic is "My Vision for America." Entry forms & details at [www.vfw.org/Community/Voice-of-Democracy](http://www.vfw.org/Community/Voice-of-Democracy) The 2015-2016 audio essay on the topic of "My Vision For America" will be on CD or flash drive (no cassettes) and be no less than three minutes nor longer than five minutes [5 minutes, 0 seconds] in length. A written transcript of the audio essay should also be provided.

Only the audio essay, transcript, and application page should be placed in an envelope Entries must be returned to Bloomingtondale Post 7539, 101 Fairfield Way, Bloomingtondale, IL 60108 and be postmarked no later than November 1, 2015.



# Homage to the Civil War

## A Very Special Summer Exhibit

The Bloomingdale Park District Museum is hosting two very special exhibits this summer running from June 27 – August 1.

**PAQA Midwest Art Quilt Challenge** - In Gallery I, the works of the Professional Art Quilters Alliance (PAQA) will be displayed. This year the challenge to members of PAQA (Professional Art Quilters Alliance) was to make an 18-inch square quilt using the theme "The Midwest." The 25 exhibited quilts consist of a wide range of styles and techniques. All meet the basic definition of a "quilt," which is three layers of fabric held together by stitching.

PAQA consists of approximately 60 members from Illinois, Wisconsin and Iowa. They meet monthly in Naperville. The reception for this exhibit takes place on July 19 between the hours of 2 p.m. – 5 p.m.

The Lobby Area will feature **"Chairish" presented by Geri Greenman**. Her delightful works of art are creatively painted chairs and paintings.



*The Bloomingdale Park District Museum building circa 1850.*

**Homage to the Civil War - In Gallery II:** This year marks the 150th Anniversary of the end of the Civil War. This exhibition honors those soldiers who valiantly fought to save the Union, with an emphasis on those from the Bloomingdale area.

Learn about life during the turbulent years of the war. See photographs and biographies of the 75 local men who served. Uniforms, battle maps, drawings of iron-clad warships, camp equipment and home furnishings will be displayed.

Also on exhibit, combining the themes of both exhibits is a handmade quilt recently assembled for a program jointly sponsored by the Bloomingdale Historical Society and the Bloomingdale Loose Threads Quilt Club. The program featured Civil War Reproduction quilts created by Loose Treads members. The highlight of the presentation was a quilt made up entirely of blocks sewn by members to illustrate the messages placed in quilts during the Civil War to help runaway slaves make their way to the North and freedom. The "Underground Railroad" quilt will remain on display at the museum for the duration of the exhibits.



*The last time the Lincolns visited Old Town was in 2004.*

A special program, "Men and Women of the Civil War," will take place at 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 27 featuring Jay Perkins and Amy Crawley. Their informative talk and demonstration will cover the life of a typical soldier.

On Sunday, July 19, President and Mr. Lincoln (Max and Donna Daniels) will greet guests at the museum. Mr. Lincoln will present the Second Inaugural Address. Enjoy refreshments at this 1860 style event.

Museum hours: Wednesday, 4-8; Thursday-Friday 10-4; Saturday, 12-4. The Park District Museum is located at 108 S. Bloomingdale Road. 630-339-3570.

# Bloomingtondale Fire Protection District #1



## Checking into a Hotel? Check it Out First!

The Bloomingtondale Fire Protection District and the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) would like to remind residents to stay safe while traveling this summer. It will only take a few minutes to get acquainted with your new surroundings and hotel/motel safety precautions will help you enjoy your home away from home.

### Be safe when traveling

- Choose a hotel/motel that is protected by both smoke alarms and a fire sprinkler system.
- When you check in, ask the front desk what the fire alarm sounds like.
- When you enter your room, review the escape plan posted in your room.
- Take the time to find the exits and count the number of doors between your room and the exit. Make sure the exits are unlocked. If they are locked, report it to management right away.
- Keep your room key by your bed and take it with you if there is a fire.
- If the alarm sounds, leave right away, closing all doors behind you. Use the stairs — never use elevators during a fire.
- If you must escape through smoke, get low and go under the smoke to your exit.

### IF you can't escape ...

- Shut off fans and air conditioners.
- Stuff wet towels in the crack around the doors.
- Call the fire department and let them know your location.
- Wait at the window and signal with a flashlight or light colored cloth.



For more information about hotel and motel safety or other safety information, contact Battalion Chief Richard Kurka at the Bloomingtondale Fire Protection District at 630-894-9080.

## Tom Zarth Retires Following 30 Years of Service



Firefighter Tom Zarth retired February 6, 2015 after nearly 30 years of dedicated service. Tom served the district as a dispatcher when he was hired as a firefighter in December of 1985. He soon became a paramedic and served in that role for much of his career. In addition to his role as a firefighter, Tom was a founding member of the Water Rescue Team. He also spent several years as the President of the Bloomingtondale Firefighters Union Local 3272 for which he was also one of its charter members. Tom plans to spend more time with his wife, Janet, and sons Matthew, Michael and Jeremy.

The Bloomingtondale Fire Protection District wishes Tom well in retirement and would like to thank him publicly for his service.



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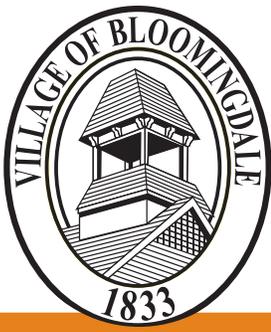
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## Welcome Don Kaderabek!



In April, Don Kaderabek joined the Bloomingtondale Fire Protection District as Deputy Chief of Administration and Support. For over 30 years, Deputy Chief Kaderabek has held positions as a firefighter, paramedic, engineer, company officer, Instructor, Training Officer, and Deputy Chief. He has worked on engine companies, truck companies and ambulances throughout his career.

Internationally credentialed in multiple disciplines, is a nationally recognized speaker, accomplished grant writer, union negotiator, and curriculum developer. We are pleased that Deputy Chief Kaderabek is bringing his wealth of knowledge and experience to Bloomingtondale and look forward to his continued success.



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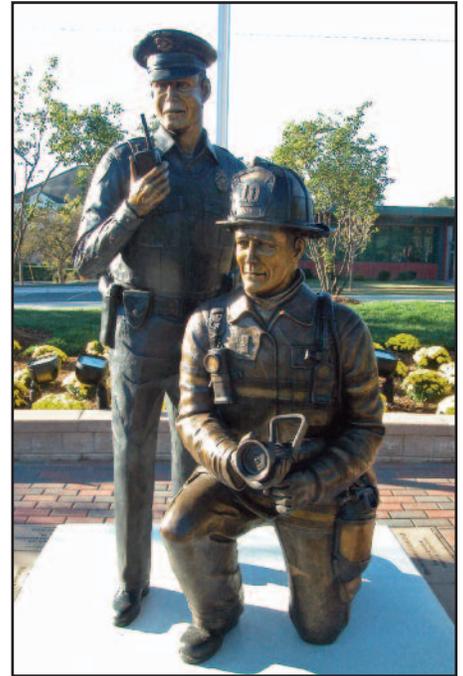
## Bloomingdale Horizon Hosts Senior Fair June 5



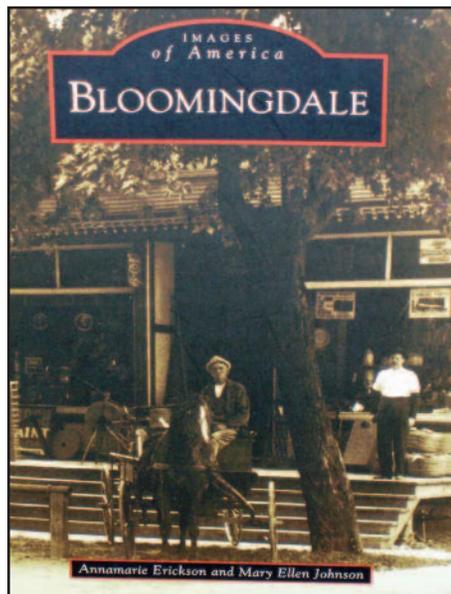
The Bloomingdale Horizon, 160 W. Lake Street, hosts a Free Senior Fair from 9 a.m. to Noon on Friday, June 5. Exhibitors include Community Physical Therapy, Family Home Health & Hospice, Prism Healthcare Medical Equipment, Alden Valley Ridge & Alden Gardens. Also Bloomingdale Mayor Franco Coladipietro, Bloomingdale Police and Fire departments, Bloomingdale Township team, including Bloomingdale Senior Center, Bloomingdale Library and Park District. Other vendors include AARP Driver Safety, Accuquest Hearing Centers, Ardent Healthcare, Belmont Village, Brookdale, Costco, Dr. Dorothy Hines, Family Pharmacy, First Light, Glendale Heights Center for Senior Citizens, Senior Solutions, Silver Connections, Tammy Duckworth, Wohl Eye Center & more. Free refreshments and raffle prizes. For more info, call Ellen at 630-307-8007.

## Looking for Something Different For Father's Day?

Tell the world Dad is your personal hero by placing a brick with your sentiments at the "Everyday Heroes" statue in Old Town Park. The 4x8 bricks are \$100 each and hold three lines of copy at 13 spaces each. Bricks are also still available at the golf course and the library statue sites for \$75 each. All orders placed by June 26, 2015 will be installed late summer. A card announcing your gift to Dad is available at no charge. Call Mary Ellen at the Village Hall at 671-5600 for more information or to place an order.



Another "novel" gift idea is a copy of the Images of America - Bloomingdale book published by the Bloomingdale Historical Society through Arcadia Publishing. The story of Bloomingdale from 1833 through 1983, the town's 150th birthday, is told through photographs and captions. Historic views of current areas and structures are featured, including historic photographs of the renovated old school at Lake and Third Street.



The book is available for \$19.99 from the Bloomingdale Public Library or the Village Hall. This photographic journal also makes a great birthday or anniversary gift for anyone who lives in town.

