

Village of Bloomingdale *Almanac*

April 2018

Growth with Pride

Two Great Inaugural Events at Bloomingdale Golf Club



Bloomingdale Golf Club is offering two exciting events to appeal to golfers of all ages this summer.

The Bloomingdale Cup will take place on Saturday, June 30th, and be open to all men & women amateurs 16 years or older with a verifiable CDGA or USGA handicap. The men's event will consist of 4 flights, while the women's event will consist of a gross and net winner!

The Bloomingdale Junior Golf Classic will be held on Wednesday, June 27th
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Look What's Springing Up in Bloomingdale

No matter the weather might be, it is spring and that means lots of events coming up. Here are some teasers and some reminders, with plenty of details inside this issue.

The golf course is open, weather permitting. Check out the column to the left about new events, plus lots more golf club details on p. 7.

To help with winter clean-up, yard waste pick-up begins April 1 and first branch pick-up is the week of April 16-20. If you're doing spring cleaning, the Township Electronic Recycling resumes on Saturday, April 7 and Berkshire Hathaway hosts a Shredding Event on Saturday, April 28.



The 35th Annual Student Art Show at the Park District Museum is open until April 7. The foto Muses "Neighborhood" exhibit opens on April 14. The deadline for submitting applications for Septemberfest Scholarships is April 15. Bloomingdale Church celebrates its 40th anniversary April 21-22.

May brings the Lions Club fundraisers – onions, steak and the "We Share" raffle; the

Garden Club plant sale, the return of community garage sales, Memorial Day Observance and more. And, as always, there are activities for every age to be found on the library and park pages.

The 2nd annual FREE "Bike Bloomingdale" takes place from

10 a.m. – 1 p.m. on Saturday, June 2 at Circle Park (south parking lot). The bike rodeo is hosted by the Bloomingdale Police Department, 8:30-10 a.m. Bike Bloomingdale starts at 10 am. Join other bike enthusiasts on a leisurely 4.0- or 6.5-mile ride. Family Bike Bloomingdale - Family-friendly ride of 1.5 miles.

Watch for the Summer Park District Brochure or visit bloomingdaleparks.org to register for the bike rides.

Upcoming Events

Senior Day Fair, April 20
(see back page)



Branch pickup, week of April 16-20, *(see page 5)*



Garden Club Flower Sale May 4 & 5 *(see page 15)*



Memorial Day Observance, May 28 *(see page 3)*





Arbor Day 2018 at DuJardin School

VILLAGE BOARD, COMMISSION & COMMISSIONER

The public is encouraged to attend all Board and Commission meetings

REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE VILLAGE BOARD

2nd and 4th Mondays of the month January - November

1st & 3rd Monday in December
7 p.m. – Village Hall

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

2nd and 4th Mondays of the month January - November

1st & 3rd Monday in December
6 p.m. – Village Hall

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

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

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

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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

SEPTEMBERFEST COMMISSION

2nd Thursday of the month
February through November
7:00 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



The Village of Bloomingdale’s Forestry Division will celebrate Arbor Day at 1 p.m. on Friday, April 27 with students at DuJardin School, 166 S. Euclid Drive, by planting a Red Maple tree at the school. Bloomingdale was recently named a Tree City USA for the 26th consecutive year in honor of the Village’s commitment to effective urban forest management.

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 extreme weather conditions or emergency situations, the Village can send out critical information to all subscribers as it becomes available.

Go to www.villageofbloomingdale.org and sign up for the E-news. It’s easy and free!



Village of Bloomingdale Elected Officials

Franco A. Coladipietro
Village President

William Belmonte
Traffic and Streets

Frank Bucaro
Planning, Zoning & Environmental Concerns

Jane E. Michelotti
Village Clerk

Bill Bolen
Finance and Administration

Vince Ackerman
Facilities, Infrastructure

TRUSTEES

Judi Von Huben
Public Safety

Patrick Shannon
Intergovernmental and Community Relations

Front page photo was taken by Dave Shallcross, Bloomingdale Golf Club’s PGA Head Golf Professional.

A Message from Mayor Franco

I want to take this opportunity to put to rest rumors in the community concerning the Indian Lakes/K-Hovnanian Homes' proposed 535-unit age-restricted (55 and older) development for the former Indian Lakes golf course property. A copy of the submittal is available for public review at www.villageofbloomingdale.org. As I reported in previous Almanacs, the applicant has filed a request seeking a zoning change to the property, along with a number of various zoning amendments for the development. The application has not been placed on a Plan Commission agenda for discussion due to the fact that their application is not complete.

Unfortunately, Indian Lakes/K-Hovnanian disagrees with our interpretation of the Village Code which provides an applicant two different procedural choices to pursue when seeking approvals for development. The first is a Planned Unit Development that affords an applicant the option to move forward with preliminary plans. The applicant has chosen the second option, which is the process requiring final plans to be submitted in order for the public hearings to be scheduled, given the complexity of the proposal. As a result K-Hovnanian has filed a complaint in the DuPage Circuit Court seeking a declaratory judgement on the Village's decision requiring final plans for the project. The Village has filed a response and is awaiting a decision by the court.

As the Village moves forward in its discussions, residents are encouraged to visit the Village dedicated website page and to reach out to Village Administrator Pietro Scalerà at scalerap@vil.bloomingdale.il.us to share your ideas and concerns regarding the future of the Indian Lakes Golf Course.

I do have some exciting development news to share. The Village has been working with representatives from Texas Roadhouse who will be moving forward with the construction of a new restaurant on the southeast corner of Gary Avenue and Mall Entrance Drive 4 (directly facing Mario Tricoci Hair Salon). Village staff is also working with representatives of Golden Corral who will be moving into the former Old Country Buffet space at Stratford Crossing.

On the residential side, the Village Plan Commission has approved plans by Pulte Homes to complete the Toll Brothers Townhome community project at the corner of Springfield Drive and Schick, consisting of 132 townhome units. Further south on Springfield Drive, Springfield Pointe, a residential community of 30 ranch and two-story homes is underway, with the model being completed in the coming month.

More happy news – Spring is here, which means fun family events and activities are just around the corner! Check out the information on the front page, as well as on pages 12 - 13 to see what Bloomingdale has in store for you this April and May.

And looking forward to actual warm weather, I leave you with one more thought – FIREWORKS!! – July 3 – Stay Tuned.

Mayor Franco



Memorial Day Observance May 28

The annual Memorial Day Observance takes place at 9:30 a.m. on Monday, May 28 at St. Paul Cemetery on the north side of Lake Street, just east of Circle Avenue. The Bloomingdale Historical Society is joined by Bloomingdale VFW Post 7539, St Paul Evangelical Church, Bloomingdale Public Library, Village of Bloomingdale, Garden Club, Alden Valley Ridge and Scout Troops for this touching tribute to our veterans.

The entire program lasts about 45 minutes; free refreshments are available; patriotic music is provided by The Legends Ensemble. Limited parking is available in business lots to the west of the cemetery. Bring a lawn chair if you wish or an umbrella in case of inclement weather.

Following the remembrance at the cemetery, all are welcome to join Bloomingdale VFW Post 7539 at 11 a.m. as it holds a brief ceremony at the gazebo on the corner of Bloomingdale Road & Fairfield, in front of the library. Here they will lay a wreath at the base of the flag and perform a ten-gun salute in honor of those who served in the name of our country.



Summer 2018 Road Construction

Important Village & Community Phone Numbers

Main Village Hall Number
630-893-7000

Village Departments
Administration 630-671-5610
Building & Zoning 630-671-5660
Engineering 630-671-5676
Finance 630-671-5630
Mayor's Office 630-671-5600
Police – non-emergency 630-529-9868
Public Works 630-671-5800
Water Billing 630-671-5650
Utilities 630-671-5830

Other Useful Numbers
Fire Department non-emergency 630-894-9080
Bloomington Library 630-529-3120
Bloomington Park District 630-529-3650

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Pavement Overlay

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

Los Lagos Drive	Lakeview Drive
Brookdale Drive	Creekside Drive
Morningside Drive	Dawn Court
Dee Court	Starling Drive
Terry Lane	Cardinal Drive
Eagle Lane	Eagle Court
Raven Lane	Bunting Lane
Tanager Drive	Bobwhite Lane
Bobwhite Court	Wren Court
Falcon Court	



This work will begin mid-May and will take approximately two and a half (2½) months to complete. Local signage consisting of “Road Construction Ahead” signs will be posted prior to construction.

The DuPage County Department of Transportation is also planning work near Bloomington this summer. The County will be resurfacing County Farm Road between Illinois Route 64 and Schick Road, and Schick Road between County Farm Road and Gary Avenue. For additional information about work in these areas, contact the DuPage County Department of Transportation at 630-407-6900.

Asphalt Surface Treatment – Scrub or Fog Seal

A Scrub Seal is a light application of asphalt rejuvenator placed directly on the pavement and worked into the surface with a drag broom, with the intent of sealing the pavement and enriching the weathered and oxidized asphalt. A Fog Seal is similar to the Scrub Seal however it does not include application with a drag broom and is utilized on newer pavements.

These surface treatments will extend the life of the pavement by slowing the deterioration of the asphalt surface. These areas will also receive pavement patching, curb and gutter repairs to correct drainage deficiencies, sidewalk repair and pavement crack filling. The following streets will receive asphalt surface treatment:

Woodcrest Court	Galway Court
Mayo Lane	Clare Drive
Erie Circle	Erie Court
Huron Drive	Michigan Drive
Superior Drive	Dublin Road
Salt Lake Drive	Founders Pointe North
Founders Pointe South	

This work will begin mid-May and will take approximately 2 ½ months to complete. Local signage consisting of “Road Construction Ahead” signs will be posted prior to construction. If you have any questions regarding the Pavement Overlay or the Asphalt Surface Treatment projects you may call the Village Services Department, Engineering Division at 630-671-5676.

We appreciate your patience during the construction project and will do our best to keep disruptions to a minimum.

Branch Pickup Begins April 16

Kramer Tree Specialists, Inc. will once again perform branch collection under the direction of the Village Forestry Division. Branch collection will begin on Monday, April 16. The program is only available to single family detached residences. Townhome residents should contact their association regarding branch collection.

Branch Collection Guidelines:

- Branches must be out by 7:00 a.m. on Monday, April 16.
- Branches should not be placed at the curb/pavement edge any earlier than one week prior to the scheduled collection date.
- Woody branches ½ inch to 6 inches in diameter are the only items that will be picked up. (Note: any spikes, hooks or other metal objects must be removed).
- Long lengths are favored provided branches do not block sidewalks and pedestrian access.
- All branches should be placed at the curb or pavement edge and stacked in an orderly fashion with the cut or larger end towards the pavement.
- Thorny tree branches should not be concealed inside piles. These require special care as to not cause injuries to the workers.

The following items are unacceptable:

- Branches left out in a tangled mess.
- Woody branches under ½ inch in diameter.
- Leaves, vines, small (under ½ inch in diameter) flexible willow stems, herbaceous plants and weeds.
- Large stumps, roots and root balls.*
- Wooden fencing and construction lumber.*

The above items are considered yard waste and may be placed in bags or cans with tags for Republic Services (our refuse hauler) pick-up. Yard waste pick-ups commence April 1st and continue through November 30th. Questions concerning yard waste pick-ups should be directed to Republic Services at 847-981-0091.

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

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.

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



Yard Waste Collection Begins April 1

Yard Waste pick-ups begin April 1st and continue through November 30th. Small twigs, leaves and other yard waste may be placed in bags or cans (not to exceed 34 gallons or 50 lbs) and affixed with stickers for Republic.

Yard waste stickers are available for purchase at a cost of **\$3.27 per sticker** (2018 cost) at the following locations:

Butera Foods -
550 W. Lake Street

Caputo's Fresh Market -
166 E. Lake Street

Jewel Food Store -
2164 S. Bloomingdale Road,
Glendale Heights

Lens Ace Hardware -
272 W. Lake Street

Meijer Supermarket -
130 S. Gary Avenue

Village of Bloomingdale -
201 S. Bloomingdale Road

Upcoming Holiday Will Affect Refuse Pickup

Garbage pickup will be delayed by one day, due to the May 28 Memorial Day holiday.

Wishing all Bloomingdale residents a safe and happy Memorial Day weekend!



Be sure you know who is at your door! Important Spring & Summer Safety Tips



Bloomington's Rooftop cops on a very rainy day!

“Rooftop Cop” at Dunkin’ Donuts (Lake Street)

Bloomington Police Officers unite with the Lake Street Dunkin’ Donuts staff to support the Special Olympics’ program and to recognize its athletes. From 5:30 a.m. to Noon on Friday, May 18, Bloomington officers will take part in a rooftop sit-in greeting the customers of the Bloomington Lake Street Dunkin’ Donuts and encouraging donations for Illinois Special Olympics.

So, come on in to Dunkin’ Donuts and don’t forget to look up!

Sunday, June 10 marks the 2018 Illinois Law Enforcement Torch Run, the single largest year-round fundraising event benefiting Special Olympics Illinois.

Watch for more information in the June issue and on the Bloomington Police Department Facebook page.



When reading the daily newspaper or watching the evening news, you see/hear the stories about con artists working different scams. Usually, the stories that raise our awareness come from someone else’s misfortune. The Bloomington Police Department encourages the following safety reminders.

- Do not let anyone into your house who comes by unsolicited, offering to do work on or around your house.
- Never let someone in your house without first verifying their identification and purpose. Write down their name and call the company first if there are any questions. Call the police if you feel uncomfortable. Call the police if you see any suspicious persons or vehicles in your area.
- Keep all doors and windows locked at all times – even if outside gardening. Carry a cordless phone with you (even outside) so you can contact the police if needed.
- If someone comes to your house or approaches you asking for help, don’t let them inside. Tell them you will call the police for them. Stay inside the safety of your home.
- If a stranger comes to your home offering a free health service or asking for you to complete a survey, do not give your personal information.
- If you or someone else “finds” money, ALWAYS call the police. Be cautious, someone may trick you into sharing it or scam you out of your money by obtaining your financial information.
- Someone may claim to have a winning lottery ticket and they are willing to share it. Never give anyone cash to help them collect on the lottery ticket.

If it seems too good to be true, then it probably is!

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this article or other crime prevention information, please contact Officer Dawn Odoi at (630) 529-9868.

Officer Ray Murrell Honored in D.C.

The week of May 13-19, 2018 is National Police Week. Last year we submitted Officer Ray Murrell’s name for inclusion on the National Memorial Wall for Fallen Officers in Washington D.C. and it was accepted. Members of our Police Department will join Ray’s family on May 15, at the National Memorial Wall for Fallen Officers, to see his name revealed. May 15 was proclaimed National Peace Officer Memorial Day in 1962 by President John Kennedy.

Officer Ed Lewis Retires

Police Officer Ed Lewis retired Thursday, February 22, on his 30th anniversary of service to the Bloomington Police Department. He is looking forward to spending more time with his grandchildren. We wish him all the best!



Swing Into the 2018 Golf Season!

Welcome to the 2018 golf season!! We are once again very excited to begin the season and look forward to seeing you soon!! We will be implementing a few new things that we hope will entice increased junior golf play and tournament play for adults and juniors with our inaugural Bloomingdale Cup and Junior Golf Classic. (see p. 1) As always, please visit our website at www.bloomingdalegc.com for additional information.



RE-REGISTER OR REGISTER FOR THE COMMUNITY CARD

With the 2018 golfing season getting into full swing, we would like to take this moment to remind you to visit the golf shop and sign-up for your 2018 Community Card. With this card you receive a very nice savings on our daily rates. To take advantage of this opportunity you will need to follow a couple of simple steps:

- Visit the golf pro shop at Bloomingdale Golf Club and fill out the registration form. Please bring with you a current Photo I.D. showing your address. This will be your proof of residency. Registration is currently on-going.
- You may also visit our website and print out the form and bring it in.
- Pay an annual fee of \$10.00.

Plan to participate in our Opening Spring Event 2018 "SWING INTO SPRING" GOLF EVENT (9:00 am Shotgun start)

On Sunday, April 22nd, we will be hosting our 13th annual opening season spring golf event. This is a great opportunity to start out your golf season in the company of your friends and family. Share a few laughs while working out those winter kinks. The day will be full of fun, food and prizes.

Entry fee is \$75 per player. This fee includes golf and cart fee, continental breakfast, soft drinks and beer, buffet lunch, welcoming gift, team and raffle prizes. For additional information on the event format and registration, visit our website at www.bloomingdalegc.com. Event is limited to the first 25 teams.

NEW! "YOUTH ON COURSE" PROGRAM

Bloomingdale Golf Club has registered to be part of the "Youth on Course" program that is designed to give juniors between the ages of 7-17 the opportunity to play 9 holes of golf for a fee of \$5.00. To be a participant, juniors will need to visit the Chicago District Golf Association (CDGA) website, www.CDGA.org and register. There is a \$20 annual registration fee. Once registered, the junior golfer will receive an identification card that will need to be presented when paying in the golf shop. Below are some additional specifics with this program:

- Play at Bloomingdale GC would be after 10 am, Monday-Friday, and after 3 pm Saturday-Sunday.
- The fee covers 9 holes of golf – walking.
- Juniors can play at any course (locally or nationally) that is part of this program.

BRING YOUR KIDS TO PLAY OUR SHORT-COURSE

The golf course will once again set-up forward tees for junior play OR first time golfers. The course will play a distance of 2350 yards with a par of 68. Bring Mom, Dad and the entire family and enjoy a day on the course! Scorecards will be available to reference this course layout!



Two New Events at Golf Club

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featuring 9 and 18 holes of friendly competition. Prizes will be awarded to the top male and female participants within three age divisions (from age 8 through age 18). Division will be determined by age by June 27, 2018.

There is no residency requirement and USGA rules apply for both events. Additional information and registration forms are available on the website at www.bloomingdalegc.com or in the Pro Shop.

Returning Favorites

Once again, the golf course will be offering Junior Golf School for ages 5 – 15 during the summer. The program will be structured around basic fundamentals of the golf swing, rules and etiquette of the game, safety and fun contests.

The golf staff at Bloomingdale Golf Club will also be offering three sessions of Mixed Adult Clinics for ages 16 and older this season. Classes will be geared toward those individuals who have little to some basic golf knowledge. For additional information or to register for either program, please visit the Golf Club website.

Permanent Tee Times

Permanent tee times on Sunday are still available! Perm season starts on April 29th and goes through September 9th for a total of 20 weeks of play. We ask that you sign-up as a foursome, so recruit some friends and family members to create a foursome.

Contact the golf shop for additional information or visit our website.



Regulations for cross-connection Protect Public Water System

Shredding Event on April 28



Berkshire Hathaway is once again stepping up to help us clear out our paper clutter! They are providing free shredding for the public on Saturday, April 28 from 9:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. at 181 S. Bloomingdale Road.

There is a four bag limit and the bag size can be no larger than a 13-gallon bag. You do not have to remove staples or paper clips, but no hard items, such as a binder or binder clip can be included.

There will be two lanes: 1. Express – for those dropping off bags; 2. Non-Express for those who want to watch their documents be shredded. If you don't want to wait in line, bags can be dropped off on Friday at the office, 181 S. Bloomingdale Road between 9 – 5. They will be secure in the locked office. Call 630-894-1900 with questions.

This year the Realty office will also be collecting voluntary donations for the Sunshine Kids Foundation, a non-profit organization established in 1982, dedicated to children with cancer.

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 will be distributed 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 vegae@vil.bloomingtondale.il.us

No Frog – No Clog!

The Village Services Department offers tips to properly dispose of **Fats, Rags, Oils and Grease (FROG)** - Think "No **FROG**, No Clog."



Pouring leftover cooking grease down the drain can cause damage to both household plumbing and water resources. The following tips may help eliminate FROG from our waste water system:

- Throw bulky waste materials (disinfectant/cleaning cloths, feminine napkins/applicators, large chunks of food) into the trash
- Do not flush cat litter down the toilet
- Freeze small amounts of fats, oils and grease in a tightly sealed container, and then dispose in the trash
- Mix cooking oil with an absorbent material, such as cat litter or coffee grounds, place in a sealed container, and dispose in trash
- Scrape and wipe grease from pan with cold water before they go in the dishwasher
- Use a strainer in your sink to catch scraps
- Cover drains with a fine screen and empty in to the trash

You should never pour grease down the garbage disposal, even if you use hot water with a grease-fighting detergent. Home garbage disposals do not remove grease from the plumbing system. Additionally, hot water will cool down in pipes causing fats and grease to coagulate, which creates blockages farther down the pipeline.

Looking Ahead: Septemberfest 2018 Looking for Participants

The 45th annual Septemberfest will be held on Saturday, September 8 in Old Town (Lake & Bloomingdale) beginning with the annual parade which steps off from DuJardin School at 11 a.m. and travels west on Schick Road 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 will also feature another outstanding car show, as well as the presentation of the Joe Draghi Septemberfest Scholarships. Applications for food vendors, crafters, parade participants, car show exhibitors and scholarships can be found on the Village's website at www.villageofbloomingdale.org Click on "Community" on the top of the home page. The Septemberfest information is located under Community.



Septemberfest/Joe Draghi Scholarship



The Joe Draghi Septemberfest Scholarship is once again being offered by the Septemberfest Commission. The award is funded through private, community and corporate contributions. Applicants must be a resident of Bloomingdale between the ages of 17 and 20. Other requirements are noted on

the Application, which is available on the Village of Bloomingdale's website, as listed above or at the Village Hall, 201 S. Bloomingdale Road.

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The completed application packet is due April 15, 2018. Applications must be postmarked no later than April 15, 2018. There will be a mandatory judge's interview held at the Village of Bloomingdale, Council Room, 201 S. Bloomingdale Road on Sunday, May 20, 2018. Winners will be announced at the 45th Septemberfest on Saturday, September 8, 2018. Attendance to receive your award, if chosen, is not mandatory.

Church of God Thanks Firefighters



In January, members from the World Mission Society Church of God, 177 S. Bloomingdale Road, visited Fire Station #1 on Bloomingdale Road with "Thank You" gifts consisting of Garrett's Popcorn and a large basket of assorted candies and snacks. Church

of God has received numerous recognitions throughout the world for its contribution to the welfare of society, including the President's Call to Service Award in the United States, and the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service, and was given the title MBE (Member of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire)

About the World Mission Society Church of God: The World Mission Society Church of God is a faith-based, non-profit organization that strives to spread the love of Heavenly Mother through beautiful deeds. Since its establishment in 1964, Church of God has grown to more than 7,000 locations in more than 175 countries.



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 17 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 2018" in the memo line.

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



Susan Sargent from Bloomingdale Bank & Trust with scholarship winner Donovan Maloney. BB&T donated \$1,000, a full scholarship in 2017.

Best of Bloomingdale 2018

This was the second year the Bloomingdale Chamber of Commerce proudly presented the Best of Bloomingdale, celebrating individuals and businesses in its extraordinary and expanding membership. This year there were 200 nominations of Bloomingdale businesses submitted and more than 9000 ballots cast.

Health & Wellness, Large Business:

Eagle Falls Dentistry

Family practice established 45 years ago by late Dr. Frank Szatkowski. Legacy carried on by his son Adam Szatkowski, combining education and cutting edge technology for preventative care and treatments.



Health & Wellness, Small Business:

Ducat Chiropractic & Sports Medicine

Triple-board certified Chiropractic Physician Dr. Erin Ducat is skilled in treating wide variety of muscle, joint and nerve injuries through safe and effective techniques that produce long-term results.



Not For Profit:

Bloomingdale Park District

The Park District strives to efficiently and economically provide recreation programs, facilities and open space for enjoyable leisure time experiences that benefit the entire community.



Restaurant, Full Service:

ANYWAYS

A classic neighborhood restaurant and pub serving delicious American cuisine and spirits, friendly service and a casual atmosphere, as well as cozy booths, fireplaces and a 90-seat covered outdoor patio.



Restaurant, Quick Service:

Chick-fil-A - Bloomingdale

Carries on corporate founder Truett Cathy's legacy of integrity, innovation, purpose and generosity while serving his recipe for the first boneless chicken breast sandwich coined in 1964.



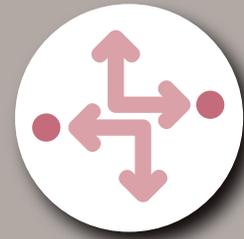
Small Business, Retail:

Fruitful Yield

Committed to the health and well-being of its customers and has been Bloomingdale's healthy friend since 1990.



Pictured top to bottom: Eagle Falls Dentistry, Tanya Szatkowski; Ducat Chiropractic & Sports Medicine, Steve Ducat; Bloomingdale Park District, Director Carrie Fullerton; Anyways, Nick Lamberis, Chris Karountzos, Isidro Mendez; Chick-fil-A; Fruitful Yield, Edgar Mena.



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

Sunset Healthcare
271 Madison Drive

1 Care Home Services
134 W Lake Street

Bloomingdale Park District
823 Stratford Square
*(temporary office during
construction)*

Business News

Best of Bloomingdale 2018 (continued)

Small business, Service:

Bloomingdale School of Music

Offers piano, keyboard, electric guitar, acoustic guitar, viola, ukulele, violin, cello and voice lessons, all in one location. Music teachers all university trained or have professional performance experience.



Rising Star – Firehouse Subs

This award is designed to recognize an outstanding new business that has either been in business fewer than two years or is under new ownership within the past two years.



2018 Overall Best of Bloomingdale –

Star Smiles Orthodontics & Pediatric Dentistry

This award is given to the one nominee that stood out above the rest in both voting results and the judges' evaluation.



Bloomingdale's 4 under Forty –

recognizes top young professionals who are some of the best and the brightest young entrepreneurs, managers and employees of the Bloomingdale Chamber members.

Joe Antolik, Franchise Owner, Chick-fil-A Bloomingdale

Alicia Eisenmann, Owner/Operator, Delish Cakes

Zach Greenberger, Director of Sales, JET Advertising

Susan Sargent, Vice Pres/Branch Manager Bloomingdale Bank&Trust



Bloomingdale Beautification and Community Improvement (2 recipients) –

Recognizes a business that improves a property within Bloomingdale enhancing the appearance of the community and contributing to its economic development.

Lakeview Memory Care Facility, 241 E. Lake Street
DuPage Medical Group, 220 Springfield



Pictured top to bottom: Bloomingdale School of Music, Joshua and Jacob Foutch; Firehouse Subs, David and Rebecca Allen; Star Smiles, Dr. Raquel Jham; 4 under 40, Alicia Eisenmann, Zach Greenberger, Susan Sargent (not pictured: Joe Antolik); Lakeview Memory Care, Rod Johnson; Representatives of DuPage Medical Group



Kathy Maykut Honored as Georgene Geils Business Woman of the Year



Mayor Franco with Kathy Maykut

The Georgene Geils Business Woman of the Year 2018 is Kathy Maykut, a Broker Associate at ReMax All Pro in Bloomingdale. She was recognized and received this annual award at the March 1st "Best of Bloomingdale."

Kathy has been in sales for nearly 30 years and is known for providing an unmatched level of service and excellence to her clients. Kathy has been inducted into the ReMax Hall of Fame, is a Platinum Club Member and was awarded the ReMax Northern Illinois Top #14 agent, within a region of 2,200+ agents.

Also a resident of Bloomingdale, Kathy's presence at and participation in activities throughout the Village are a testament to her commitment to the community. An active member of the Bloomingdale Chamber since 2007, she serves on the Chamber's Board of Directors, is a Chamber Ambassador and sits on the BAWIB Steering Committee, playing an integral role in its success and that of women who are part of the organization. Kathy is also a founding member of a local 100+ Women Who Care group which has given over \$70,000 so far to local charities.

Kathy is always ready to lend a hand, taking friends and elderly neighbors to the doctor or for a chemo treatment so they won't be alone. She will be the first to offer to help or talk if someone is struggling. Her commitment to the community and its residents is admirable. Congratulations, Kathy!



Community Events

Bloomingtondale Artists Association Meetings

Scratchboard Demo/Workshop
Wednesday, April 11 at 7pm

Award winning artist and BAA member, Annette Perone Leiber will demonstrate



scratchboard, a form of direct engraving in which the artist uses a sharp tool to scratch India ink off of a china clay board to reveal a white or colored layer beneath. Attendants will have the opportunity to create a scratchboard with a design of their choice.

Bloomingtondale Park District Museum, 108 S. Bloomingtondale Road, \$10 visitor/materials fee. Contact Bev at 630-624-9545 or bpetrosius@gmail.com for details.

Plein Air Painting Wednesday May 9 from 5-8 p.m.

Artist and BAA member Irene Peterson demonstrates plein air painting. This practice of painting and drawing in the landscape was truly made into an art form by the French Impressionists. The demo will take place at Platt Hill Nursery, 222 W. Lake Street. Attendants should bring sketchpad, pencil, eraser, and a camera, as well as a desired medium and supplies if you would like to paint.

BAA members and others interested, please contact Bev at 630-624-9545 or bpetrosius@gmail.com for details.

Inaugural Bloomingtondale Marklund Run, Walk & Roll

Runners, walkers, and wheelchair riders: Mark your calendars for Sunday, April 29, for the inaugural Marklund Run, Walk & Roll 5K and 1 Mile event at the Marklund Philip Center, 164 S. Prairie in Bloomingtondale. Marklund is a nonprofit organization that serves infants, children, teens and adults with serious and profound developmental disabilities and special healthcare needs. Online registration is open! To register, and for more details, visit: www.marklund.org/5K.

Join Team Brody

Bloomingtondale resident Brody is a six-year old first grader at Cloverdale Elementary who loves school, likes riding his ATV, playing catch with his football and hanging out with his brother. He was recently diagnosed with Leukemia. Brody's first month of chemo at Lurie Children's Hospital did not bring his numbers down, so he is now undergoing a new very strong chemo. Friends of the family are hosting a Bowling Night/Auction Fundraiser to help support him on Saturday April 7 at Strike Ten Lanes, 800 E. Nerge, Roselle. For more information, tickets or to make a donation, call Bob Rawski at 847-899-3440 or Ed Van Poucke at 708-446-7930.



Electronic Recycling

Bloomingtondale Township's Electronic Recycling Program is back! From April through December, it is held the first Saturday of every month from 8:00am to 12:00pm (except for holiday weekends). The first date is April 7, 2018. Electronics may be brought to the Township's Highway Dept at 6N030 Rosedale Ave in Bloomingtondale.



You must be a Township resident, so bring proof of Township residency. Also, bring assistance with you so you to be able to remove your recyclables from your vehicle. You can find a list of accepted items on the Township website.

Please Note: Only one (1) television per vehicle will be accepted.

Humanitarian of the Year

One of Bloomingtondale's enduring businessmen, Remo Turano of Chicago Pastry, has been named the 2018 Humanitarian of the Year by the Chicagoland Italian American Charitable Organization (CIACO). It is the highest honor the organization bestows on its members.



Not only has Remo given continued support to CIACO and the Italian-American community, but has served on the board of Calabresi in America Organization and chaired the Bloomingtondale Business Promotion/Cultural Development Committee.

He will be honored on Saturday, April 28 at Medinah Shriners in Addison, where over \$30,000 will be awarded to the families of veterans going through challenges, as well as to other needy families, two causes near to Remo's heart. To attend or make a donation, call 630-400-9908 or 630-889-1700.

25th Annual Letter Carriers' Food Drive May 12

The National Letter Carriers Food Drive is the largest food drive conducted in the country. Our Bloomingdale Letter Carriers invite all to participate in the 26th annual food drive on Saturday, May 12. Our donations go to the Bloomingdale Township Food Pantry, which serves nine area communities. Please put your non-perishables by your mailbox by 9 a.m. on Saturday, May 12 and the Bloomingdale mail carriers will do the rest. Our help is needed and appreciated. Thank you from the Bloomingdale Post Office

Park District Museum Exhibits

The 35th Annual Student Art Show is featured now through April 7. Children from surrounding schools, kindergarten through high school, proudly display their latest artwork for family and friends. Their free-spirited creativity in painting, sculpture, ceramics and photography delight all visitors. This highly-popular show is a great introduction for young artists, some of whom have exhibited as students and returned years later to exhibit again as adults.

foto Muses "Neighborhood" April 14 – May 12

The fotoMuses present a photographic interpretation of "neighborhood," an intimate glimpse at the ways and places we share with those around us. Neighborhood can be defined as that special place where you grew up, united by a common bond of friendships, struggles, and culture that made us who we are today. Neighborhoods change over time and so do we. Come and find out how the fotoMuses interpret "neighborhood."

Complimentary Reception: April 22, 2-4PM

Bloomingdale Lions Club Spring Fundraisers

How Sweet It Is! – Bloomingdale Lions Club is seeking donations to support the Club's sight and hearing programs. In return for \$10 donation you will receive a 10 lb bag of burger-size, sweet, delicious Vidalia onions. Orders are being taken through Friday, April 23. Onions will be available for pick up from 2 pm to 5 pm on Friday, May 11 and 8 a.m. to Noon on Saturday, May 12 at Berkshire Hathaway Starck Real Estate, 181 S. Bloomingdale Road. A LIMITED number of bags of onions will be available for walk-up customers on Saturday.

Need more info? Email Lion Walt at wcropper@yahoo.com. Donation forms can be downloaded from <https://goo.gl/5rgGA7> and can be mailed to Bloomingdale Lions, P.O. Box 318, Bloomingdale, IL 60108.

Get your Grill On – Our Lions are also hosting their Steak Fry from 5-8 p.m. on Friday, May 4 at the Bloomingdale Golf Club. Tickets are \$18 per person for a choice of steak or BBQ chicken, grilled to order. The Buffet Includes Tossed Garden Salad, Baked Potato, Vegetable, Rolls & Butter and Dessert. Call Stan Poplonski at 630- 461-1283 for tickets and information. The drawing for the Lions "We Share" Raffle with a grand prize of \$5,000, and nine more cash prizes will take place at the Steak Dinner. See more on p. 15.

The proceeds from these fundraisers will fund community programs, help provide vision and hearing tests for all residents, send a special need child to summer camp and help meet community sight and hearing-related needs.

Farmers Market Returns on June 7

The Old Town Bloomingdale Farmers Market will return once again on Thursdays, June 7 through September 20 from 3 – 7 p.m. This year's location will be in Old Town at Franklin and Bloomingdale Road. Vendors of Raw Honey, Peanuts, Coffee, Produce, Cheese, Meats, Kettle Corn, Beauty Products for men and women, Organic Bees Wax and Candles are already committed. There will also be weekly entertainment and activities for the kiddos.

More details to come in the upcoming E-news and the June Almanac.



Around and About Town

Congratulations Stephanie Tran!

Congratulations to Bloomingdale resident

Stephanie Tran, for being named to the 2017-2018 **Daily Herald Leadership Team**.

The Glenbard North senior and daughter of Alicia Lopez, was selected among the Top 10 High School Students in DuPage County.



This annual recognition program is based on community service, leadership and academics. Stephanie was recognized for helping organize fundraisers, activities for cultural exposure & service projects, leading younger students in Faith Formation & Confirmation retreats; and for helping students transition to high school as incoming freshmen.

Relay for Life on June 8

The communities of Bloomingdale, Bartlett, Elk Grove, Glendale Heights, Hanover Park, Itasca, Medinah, Roselle and Streamwood are coming together to take up the fight against cancer in one impressive Relay for Life event. Join the American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Northern DuPage for entertainment, food, fun, speakers and a special tribute and dinner.

It's easy to start a Relay For Life team, join an existing Relay For Life team or register as a cancer survivor. This nine-community event takes place on June 8, 2018 at Lake Park East H.S. 600 N. Medinah Rd. Roselle, IL

For more information or to register, contact Event Chairperson Maryann Grygiel at 630-893-6647.

Bloomingdale Church Celebrates 40 Years

Bloomingdale Church, 262 Glen Ellyn Road, celebrates its 40th anniversary this month with an anniversary celebration at each of the weekend worship hours on April 21-22, plus informative displays in the gymnasium by the various service groups, and lots of free food too. Everyone in the community is invited.

The fledgling parish began public services on April 2, 1978, meeting in the old Marquardt School on Army Trail Road. Only 16 months later, July 1979, it moved into a new chapel on the church's five-acre parcel on Glen Ellyn Road. The parish has consistently grown, pacing itself through five construction projects.

These building projects added a community gymnasium, an enlarged sanctuary and classrooms for its bustling children's programs, such as Awana clubs and the teen programs. Teen 264 Coffeehouse, along with the gymnasium, is open every Friday night to provide a safe, well-supervised, and free place for teens. The church has a healthy spectrum of all ages with an abundance of families with children and teens.

Bloomingdale Church attracts people from a variety of backgrounds, emphasizing serving the community and relating the timeless principles of the Bible to people's lives today. The church retired its mortgage in 2013 and remains debt-free, directing its resources into serving the community. The congregation has shown a practical concern for under-served, taking many teams on serving projects in the community and around the world.



Lead pastoral couple Dr. David and Marina Riemenschneider have lived in Bloomingdale and served at the church for 40 years. Marina has been a teacher in District 13; David is the volunteer chaplain for Bloomingdale Fire District #1. The pair hopes to continue as long as the congregation wishes and the couple feels they are contributing.

Bill Calvin, the associate pastor, has served the congregation for the past 15 years. The church leadership realizes that it is important to be raising up new young leaders. Five of the seven ordained pastors are in their 20s and 30s and continue to take on more responsibility.

The church has three worship hours each weekend (Saturday at 5:30pm, Sunday at 8:30am and 11am). Newcomers are always welcome. There are free Sunday School classes for all ages at 9:45 a.m. each week. An array of programs are offered throughout the week. Adult classes include Alpha, Marriage Class, Recovery Group, Financial Peace and Parenting Class. Others, such as Women's Break, Monday Night Men, 18-20 Somethings, Young Couples, Mom & Me Play Group and more are also offered. For more information about the church, please go to www.bloomingdalechurch.org or call (630) 894-0090.



Upcoming Garden Club Programs

April 17 - Garden Club Annual Flower and Plant Sale Preparation

Planning and execution of the annual plant sale to be held on May 4 and 5 will be the major part of the meeting. The combined efforts of Club members and volunteers ensure a successful and profitable sale, which funds the Club's programs, speakers and charitable endeavors.

May 15 - Summer Fun-Secrets from the Garden

Nancy Carroll, presents a program on fresh vegetables, fragrant lilies, blueberries, herbs plus colorful & creative flower arranging. She'll also provide gardening tips from the best way to plant a tomato plant to how to make basil pesto. Food samples and handouts providing recipes will be provided.

Meetings at 7 p.m. at St. Paul Church, 118 First Street, Bloomingdale, IL 60108.

Community Garden is Growing Again!



The Bloomingdale Garden Club members are excited about getting the Community Garden growing again! They will look forward to seeing those who enjoyed gardening last summer and have already reserved their beds for this season.

Bloomingdale Garden Club, along with the Roselle Park District Garden Club and Master Gardeners, made a sizeable contribution to various food pantries and hope to do even better this year.

Ready to Roll!



Mayor Franco and Jo Petrucio, Director of Business Development for the Alden Network, were ready to take a test drive at the Stratford Square Harley Davidson store ribbon cutting.

Garden Club Annual Plant Sale May 4 & 5

The Garden Club's very popular annual sale will be held on May 4th and 5th. Professionally-grown annuals in flats, premium hanging baskets, specialty annuals, tropicals, grasses, vegetables and herbs. Perennials from member's gardens and more. There will be tried and true varieties, and exciting new ones! Helpful Master Gardeners will be on hand.



Contact bloomingdalegardenclub@gmail.com for details.

Location: Bloomingdale Park District Maintenance Building, 259 Springfield Drive (north end of Springfield Park) Bloomingdale, IL 60108

Date and Time: Friday, May 4th, 9 AM-6 PM; Saturday, May 5th 9 AM-3 PM

Celebrating 50 Years

Residents William (Bill) Wolff Sr. and Patricia (nee Wojcik) celebrated 50 years of marriage on February 17, 2018.



The 50-year residents of Bloomingdale have 3 children and eight grandchildren.

\$5000 Top Prize in Lions "We Share" Raffle!

\$5,000 is the top prize for the Bloomingdale Lions Club lucky winner. Only 200 tickets will be sold for \$100 each. Nine more cash prizes will also be awarded. The drawing is at the May 5, Lions Steak Dinner (see p. 13). Winner does not have to be present.

In 2017, the Lions donated over \$25,000 to more than 100 different charities, including the sight and hearing impaired and pediatric cancer research, as well as local community programs.



Hydrant Flushing Begins June 4

Scam Artists Claiming to be from ComEd

ComEd is warning customers to be on high alert for scam artists claiming to be a ComEd representative seeking payment. Over the past couple of years, the company has seen a significant increase in reports of these types of scam incidents.

Customers should be aware that scammers may call or come to their homes or businesses. Representatives from ComEd always carry proper identification and NEVER ask customers for cash or personal financial information.

Customers can avoid being scammed by taking a few precautions:

- Never provide social security or personal information to anyone initiating contact with you claiming to be a ComEd representative or requesting you to send money to another person or entity other than ComEd.
- Always ask to see a company photo ID before allowing any utility worker into your home or business.
- Never make payment for services to anyone coming to the door or someone who is trying to pressure you on the phone.

If you believe you are a target of a phone scam, contact the Illinois Attorney General's office at 1-800-386-5438 (TTY 1-800-964-3013) or visit the website at www.illinoisattorneygeneral.gov & click on the link "Protecting Consumers." Customers can reach ComEd at 1-800-EDISON1.

The Village Services - Utilities Division will perform the annual Hydrant Flushing Program beginning June 4, 2018 through June 21, 2018. **The Program will be performed during the daytime hours of 8:00 am - 3:00 pm. Please DO NOT WASH LAUNDRY** during the flushing hours, as rust staining of 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.

Hydrant flushing is routine maintenance which improves both water quality and water flow. The hydrant flushing by area is as follows:

Byron Area, Westwind, Deer Glen, Medinah Lakes, Medinah Meadows, Medinah Grove, Eastgate, Vittoria Brooke Estates, Chateau of Medinah, Casa Bella, Hamilton Woods	Monday, June 4
Colony Green Area, College Quad Fours, Harvard, Brookdale, Wilshire Towers, Glen Ellyn Rd. (Army Trail Rd. to Now Foods)	Tuesday, June 5
North/South Suncrest, Medinah Country Estates, Dinah Road, Circle Center, Medinah on the Lakes, Lori Ct., Sunset Terrace, Westlake Highlands (South Circle / Euclid Area)	Wednesday, June 6
Westlake - Edgewater and Greenway, Westlake Townhomes – Lakeshore Area, Fairfield, Milford, Fairfield Quads, Canterbury, Lexington Homes	Thursday, June 7
Springbrook Villas, Springbrook Shopping Center, Bloomingdale Road – Edgewater to north Village limits, Bloomingdale Town Center, Fessler's Grove, Old Town, Bell Towers, North Maple, North Rosedale, Rosedale Estates, Seven Oaks, Lakewoods	Friday, June 8
Founder's Pointe, Old Town Estates, Longridge Area, West Pointe Estates, Indian Lakes Resort, Los Lagos, Indian Lakes East (Cardinal / Raven Area), Aprina Ct.	Monday, June 11
Indian Lakes – West (Meadowlark / Pheasant / Skylark Area), Bloomfield Club, Stratford Place, Park Bloomingdale Condominiums, Stratford Homes, Avalon at Stratford, Butterfield Rd., Springfield Rd. (Army Trail to Schick Rd.), Bloomingdale Walk	Tuesday, June 12
Country Club Estates, Villa Way, Chateau Lorraine, Bloomfield Hills, On the Park, One Bloomingdale Place, Villas of Thornfield, Springfield Dr. (Schick Rd to Lake St.)	Wednesday, June 13
Schmale Rd., Monroe Dr., Longview Dr., Bloomingdale Court, Fretter's Plaza, Madsen Dr. (Army Trail Rd to Railroad), Heritage at Stratford, Villa Veneto, Stratford Lakes, Camden	Thursday, June 14
Old Gary, Madsen Dr. (Railroad to Fox Ct.), Covington, Stratford Plaza, Meijer Bayview Crossings	Friday, June 15
Stratford Square, Knollwood Dr., Scott Dr.	Monday, June 18
Schick Rd. (west of Bloomingdale Rd.)	Tuesday, June 19
Lake St.	Wednesday, June 20
Army Trail Rd.	Thursday, June 21

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

Bloomingtondale Fire Protection District #1



Compulsive Hoarding: What is It and Why is It Dangerous?

The Bloomingtondale Fire Protection District and the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) would like you to know that many fire departments are experiencing serious fires, injuries, and deaths as the result of compulsive hoarding behavior.



The excessive accumulation of materials in homes poses a significant threat to firefighters fighting fires and responding to other emergencies in these homes and to residents and neighbors. Often, the local fire department will be contacted to help deal with this serious issue.

Since studies suggest that between three and five percent of the population are compulsive hoarders, it is important to become familiar with this issue and how to effectively handle it.

What is hoarding?

Hoarding is defined as collecting or keeping large amounts of various items in the home due to strong urges to save them or distress experienced when discarding them. Many rooms in the home are so filled with possessions that residents can no longer use the rooms as designed. The home is so overloaded with things that everyday living is compromised.

Why do people become hoarders?

Hoarding is a mental disorder that can be genetic in nature, triggered by traumatic events, or a symptom of another disorder, such as depression, obsessive compulsive disorder, or dementia. Studies have found that hoarding usually begins in early adolescence and gets worse as a person ages. It is more common among older adults.

Why is hoarding an issue for the fire service?

- Hoarding can be a fire hazard. Many occupants die in fires in these homes. Often, blocked exits prevent escape from the home. In addition, many people who are hoarding are injured when they trip over things or when materials fall on them.
- Responding firefighters can be put at risk due to obstructed exits, falling objects, and excessive fire loading that can lead to collapse. Hoarding makes fighting fires and searching for occupants far more difficult.
- Those living adjacent to an occupied structure can be quickly affected when a fire occurs, due to excessive smoke and fire conditions.

For more information about fire safety issues, contact Battalion Chief Richard Kurka at the Bloomingtondale Fire Protection District at 630-894-9080.

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Bloomingtondale, ILA 60108
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Did You Remember?

Did you change the batteries in your smoke detector



when we moved to Daylight Saving time?

Three out of five home fire deaths result from fires in properties without working smoke alarms.

More than one-third (38 percent) of home fire deaths result from fires in which no smoke alarms are present.

The risk of dying in a home fire is cut in half in homes with working smoke alarms.

Source: National Fire Protection Association



Don't let this be your house. Check those smoke detector batteries today.





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Garage Sale Season is Here!

Important information:

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.

For more information on requirements relative to garage sale signs, including size and placement restrictions, call the Police Department at 630-671-9868.

Upcoming Garage Sales

Bloomfield Hills

May 3, 4 & 5

9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

North side of west Schick

Bloomfield Historical Society

June 14 & 15 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Corner of 3rd & Washington

Drop off donations June 13

Bloomfield Club

Saturday, June 16

9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

South side of west Schick

Stratford Lakes

June 1 and 2

9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

North side of Schick

West of Springfield Drive

Something for Everyone at Senior Day Fair

The Bloomingdale Police Department and the Bloomingdale Senior Citizen Advisory Council cordially invite all senior citizens and caregivers to seniors to the Annual Senior Day Fair on Friday, Apr 20, 2018, from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (noon) at the Medinah Shriners Banquet Facility – Addison, Illinois (located on Swift Road just north of Army Trail Road). Created by the Bloomingdale Senior Citizen Advisory Council, the fair gives seniors the opportunity to visit with local agencies, service providers, and businesses to help identify the resources that are available to them.



Refreshments will be available and there is no fee to enter. Giveaway bags and other items will be distributed upon arrival and throughout your visit. Door prizes will be given out each ½ hour during the event.

- Over fifty agencies will be in attendance at the Senior Day Fair, including local hospitals (reference health services, such as blood pressure checks)
- Local dentists, chiropractors, eye doctors, foot doctors, pharmacists
- Discuss options with Home Health Agencies, Adult Support Services, and Extended Care Centers
- Meet with volunteers and consider joining Community Groups and Activity Clubs
- Governmental Units: Local Political Representatives, Village, Police, Fire, Park District, Library
- Wholesale stores and Fitness facilities
- Bloomingdale Lions Club: Collection of Used/Unwanted Eye Glasses, Eye and Hearing Screening Service



Illinois Secretary of State – Renewal of Driver's License (those under the age of 75), Obtain Identification Cards, and Rules of the Road information will be available.

**Lutheran Church Charities K-9 Comfort Dogs Ministry will be present throughout the fair and the Golden Retrievers will be available to visit with senior citizens attending. The dogs have been specially trained to interact with people, in order to bring comfort, brighten lives, and stimulate minds.

Please mark your calendar and plan to visit the Senior Day Fair and obtain the available materials to benefit you, your family and friends. Feel free to invite other seniors.

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

The Senior Day Fair is on Friday, April 20th, 2018, at the Medinah Shriners Banquet Facility, (located on Swift Road just north of Army Trail Road)



Bloomington Public Library



National Library Week - Libraries Lead Sunday, April 8 - Saturday, April 14

Today's libraries lead their communities and transform lives every day. From education to job resources to lifelong learning, your library provides access to the programming and services you need to reach your potential and grow as a leader. National Library Week is April 8 - April 14 — visit the Bloomington Public Library today!



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SPRING BOOK SALE

Saturday, April 7
& Sunday, April 8

Friends of the Bloomington Library Spring Book Sale!

Save the date for the Spring Book Sale! Earn coupons for donating gently used books starting Saturday, March 31. The Book Sale will run Saturday, April 7 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Sunday, April 8 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Free Comic Book Day (Drop-In) Saturday, May 5 | 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Celebrate Free Comic Book Day at the library! Create super crafts, come in costume/cosplay for our green screen photo booth, and pick up free comics (3 per person, while supplies last)! Thank you to Dreamland Comics (716 Stratford Square, Bloomington - dreamlandcomics.com) for the generous comic book donations!



SAVE THE DATE for SUMMER READING! "Reading Takes You Everywhere"

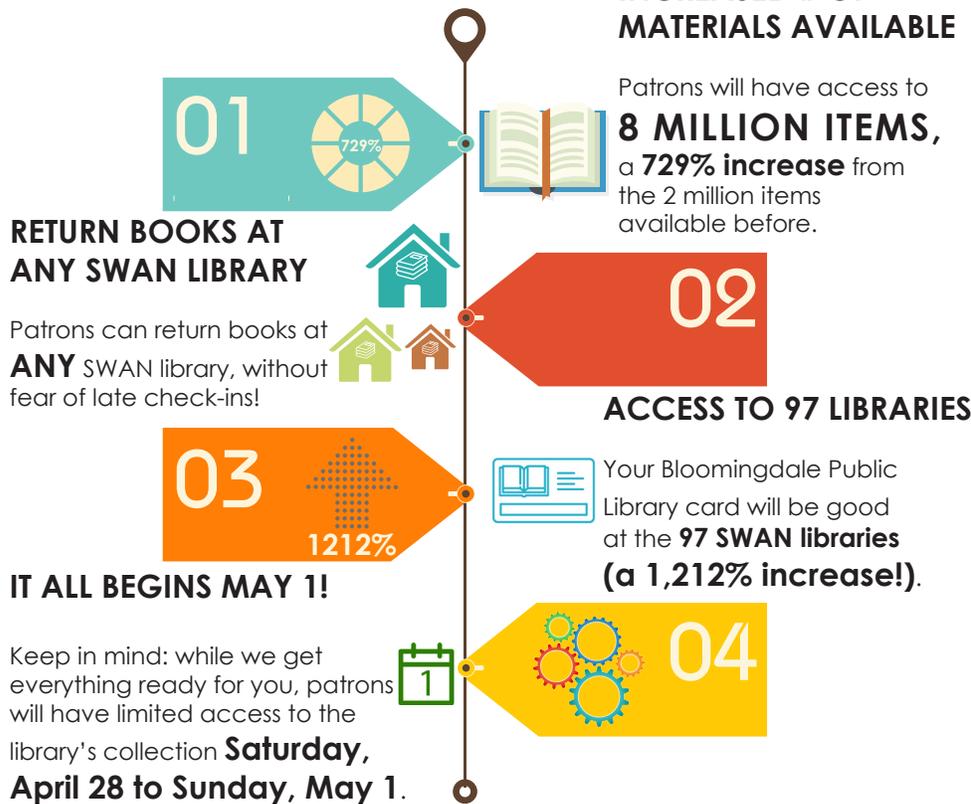
Come join the excitement and make new discoveries to be found in books, libraries, our communities, and beyond. Registration begins **Friday, June 1!**



BPL's Migration to SWAN!

In May, Bloomingdale Public Library is joining a new consortium. Membership in SWAN (System Wide Automated Network) means we'll be part of a larger library consortium, expanding from 8 libraries to 97!

What You Need to Know:



FOOD FOR FINES

Food for Fines is Back!

In honor of National Library Week, the Bloomingdale Public Library will hold a Food for Fines event from Monday, April 2 through Friday, April 27.

For every non-perishable food item or personal health and hygiene item donated, library staff will remove \$1 worth of fines from your record.*

All items collected will be given to the Bloomingdale Township Food Pantry, which will distribute it to needy individuals and families in our community.

*** Food for Fines does not apply to lost or damaged items, fees, and fines owed to another library, or associated collection and processing fees.**

Connect With the Library:

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630-529-3120
www.mybpl.org

Business Office: (630) 924-2720
Circulation: (630) 924-2750
Adult Services/Homebound: (630) 924-2730
Youth Services: (630) 924-2740
Local History: (630) 924-2765
Computer Services: (630) 924-2767
Email: bdref1@mybpl.org
Text a Librarian: Text "mybpl" to 66746

Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Friday & Saturday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

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Ongoing Adult Programs



Some programs require registration (📅) as noted. You may register for programs online at www.mybpl.org (click on "Calendar" at the top of the page), at the Adult Services Reference Desk, or by calling (630) 924-2730.

Tai Chi

Fridays, April 6 & May 4 | 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.



Join us at the library for an hour of Tai Chi, which combines slow movement, meditation, breathing, and balance. Bob Plucinsky is a Tai Chi and Qi Gong instructor.

Scrabble Club (Drop-In)

Thursdays, April 12 & May 10 | 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Join us for an afternoon of Scrabble! The library will provide Scrabble boards and dictionaries, as well as snacks and beverages. Whether you play for fun or for the challenge, all skill levels are welcome. Come and enjoy some classic wordplay!

eBook Help

By appointment only | Call 630-924-2730 to select a time

We'll have a librarian available to get you started using eBooks, audiobooks, and digital magazines. Contact the Reference Desk to schedule a 45 minute appointment.

Bloomington Seniors' Club (Drop-In)

Tuesdays, April 10 & May 8 | 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Do you enjoy playing cards and meeting others who share your interests? Join the Seniors Club!

Genealogy Club (Drop-In)

Thursdays, April 26 & May 24 | 6:30 - 8:45 p.m.

Members share search strategies and explore library resources with guidance from genealogy librarian Leslie Drewitz.



Book Discussion Groups



Historical Book Group (Drop-In)

Tuesday, April 3 | 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Truevine: Two Brothers, a Kidnapping and a Mother's Quest: A True Story of the Jim Crow South by Beth Macy

Tuesday, May 1 | 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

The Gatekeeper: Missy LeHand, FDR, and the Untold Story of the Partnership that Defined a Presidency by Kathryn Smith

Great Decisions

Wednesdays, April 18 & May 16 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.



The Great Decisions discussion program is a civic education program administered and produced by the Foreign Policy Association. In preparation for discussion, participants read the relevant chapter on a particular policy issue in the Great Decisions book available for check out, followed by moderated discussion.

Monday Night Page Turners (Drop-In)

Monday, April 16 | 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Never Let Me Go by Kazuo Ishiguro

Monday, May 21 | 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Tell the Wolves I'm Home by Carol Rifka Brunt

Romance Readers Book Club (Drop-In) **NEW!**

Tuesday, April 24 | 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Knight on the Texas Plains by Linda Broday

Tuesday, May 29 | 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

The Wanderer by Robyn Carr

Drop-In Movie Matinee

We'll supply the popcorn! Come enjoy this new release at BPL's Movie Matinee and enter for a chance to win a copy of that day's movie on DVD. Movie giveaway will be held following the conclusion of the movie and you must be present to win.

Murder on the Orient Express | **Wednesday, April 25** | 1:00 - 3:30 p.m. (Rated: PG-13 | Running Time: 114 minutes)

When a murder occurs on the train he's travelling on, celebrated detective Hercule Poirot is recruited to solve the case. Starring: Kenneth Branagh, Penelope Cruz, and Johnny Depp

Darkest Hour | **Wednesday, May 23** | 1:00 - 3:30 p.m. (Rated: PG-13 | Running Time: 125 minutes)

During the early days of World War II, the fate of Western Europe hangs on the newly-appointed British Prime Minister Winston Churchill, who must decide whether to negotiate with Hitler, or fight on against incredible odds. Starring: Gary Oldman, Lily James, & Kristin Scott Thomas.

Adult Programs

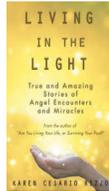
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Living in the Light: True & Amazing Stories of Angel Encounters and Miracles

Monday, April 9 | 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.



Author talk! Karen Cesario Rizzo, local author, medium, and psychic, is back with her second book on the supernatural, *Living in the Light: True & Amazing Stories of Angel Encounters and Miracles*.



Ancient Life of Illinois

Tuesday, April 10 | 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.



What does the fossil record reveal about ancient life that thrived in Illinois? Local author and professor of Earth Science Raymond Wiggers will tell us about the geologic and biologic history of Illinois, as revealed by its fossils.



Chef Cherise Presents: Yeast Breads

Tuesday, April 17 | 7:00 - 8:15 p.m.



There is absolutely nothing better than the smell of freshly baked bread! Chef Cherise will guide you through the twelve steps of yeast bread production and give you tips and tricks to make bread baking your new favorite hobby. The chef's program will include Italian batard, walnut wheat bread, and golden dinner rolls. Tasty bites and recipes will be shared. Registration is limited to 50 people.

Money Smart Week: Understanding Wills, Trusts, and Powers of Attorney

Monday, April 23 | 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.



Estate planning can be difficult to think about, but it's something everyone eventually needs to do. While you've probably heard the terms "will" and "trust," do you know what they are and the appropriate uses? Please join Pankau Law attorneys for an outline and discussion to better understand the terms and provisions of these documents.



Walt Disney: Frame by Frame

Monday, May 7 | 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.



Join us for this intimate portrait of the quiet innovator who spent a lifetime combining creativity with commerce. Surprising personal insights from Disney's friends, family, and colleagues are supplemented with clips from some of the remarkable showman's finest productions. Presented by Bob Burton, Professor Emeritus of Communications at Oakton Community College.

Walt Disney World Resort for Grown-Ups

Tuesday, May 8 | 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.



The Walt Disney World Resort isn't just for kids and families! Find out about all the exciting options available for couples, a girls weekend, or even adults traveling solo during this 75 minute presentation.



100th Anniversary of Mary Shelley's Frankenstein

Monday, May 14 | 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.



Who was Mary Shelley and how has her classic science fiction novel from 100 years ago impacted popular culture both then and today? Join us for a presentation by COD English literature lecturer Ruth C. Hoffman, Ph.D., and learn about the creation of one of the most famous monsters from both literature and film.

Introduction to Felted Soap

Tuesday, May 15 | 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.



Curious about felting but not sure where to start? Come find out how to create your own felted body scrubber with the soap included! We will also learn hand needle felting by making a felted pin or two using wool roving. All materials provided. Registration opens Sunday, April 1 and is limited to 20 people.

From the Battlefield to the Boardroom

Monday, May 21 | 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.



During her military career, Colonel Jill led hundreds of men and women around the world in war and peace, and was the recipient of the Bronze Star and the Legion of Merit for her lifelong leadership.

Now, after 30 years of success in high-stakes, fast moving environments, Colonel Jill shares her leadership secrets with the world. Join us for an entertaining talk by this best-selling author and military pioneer in honor of Memorial Day.



COMING SOON!

Al Capone & the 1933 World's Fair: The End of the Gangster Era in Chicago

Tuesday, June 5 | 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Author Talk

How Sustainable Landscaping is Good for our Health

Tuesday, June 12 | 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Garden Lecture

Teen Scene

Some programs require registration (📅) as noted. You may register for programs online at www.mybpl.org (click on "Calendar" at the top of the page), at the Adult Services Reference Desk, or by calling (630) 924-2730. Open to 7-12th grades unless noted.

How to Ace Your AP History Exams Wednesday, April 11 | 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.



Stressing about taking your AP History exam? Come discover great study tips and test-taking strategies that will get you closer to scoring a 5 on your AP History exam. A rep from C2 Education will provide helpful material reviews and tips on preparing for the AP U.S History & AP World History Exams to help you achieve the score you're aiming for!



Teen Movie Night: *Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle* (Drop-In)

Wednesday, April 18 | 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Join us as we watch *Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle* and eat some snacks! You can even enter for a chance to win a copy of the movie! Movie giveaway will be held following the conclusion of the movie and you must be present to win.

SAT Practice Test

Saturday, April 21 | 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.



Stressing about taking the SAT? Take a full-length practice test to ward off test day jitters and see how you may score on the big test. Experience first-hand what test day will be like! A rep from C2 Education will provide a proctored practice test and contact you with scores and analyzed results. **Don't forget to bring a couple of pencils, your calculator, and a snack to eat!**

Free Comic Book Day (Drop-In)

Saturday, May 5 | 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Celebrate Free Comic Book Day at the library! Create super crafts, come in costume/cosplay for our green screen photo booth, and pick up some free comics (3 per person, while supplies last)! Thank you to Dreamland Comics (716 Stratford Square, Bloomington - dreamlandcomics.com) for the generous comic book donations!

ACT Practice Test

Saturday, May 26 | 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.



Stressing about taking the ACT? Take a full-length practice test to ward off test day jitters and see how you may score on the big test. Experience first-hand what test day will be like! A rep from C2 Education will provide a proctored practice test and contact you with scores and analyzed results. **Don't forget to bring a couple of pencils, your calculator, and a snack to eat!**

Exam Cram (Drop-In)

Tuesday, May 29 - Thursday, May 31 | 3:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Open to grades 9 -12

Get ready for finals at the library's Exam Cram! We'll have group and quiet study areas, Wi-Fi, and computers. We'll provide caffeine, snacks, and opportunities to destress - you provide the brain power! Pizza served at 7:00 p.m.



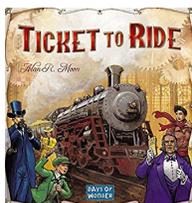
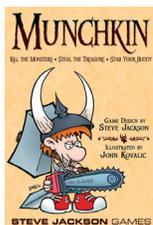
Ongoing Teen Programs

Teen Game Night (Drop-In)

Thursdays, April 12 & 26 | 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Thursdays, May 10 & 24 | 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Join other teens for gaming on our big screens or a tabletop! Have a dance-off using our Kinect, start your own Rock Band, race in Mario Kart 8, battle in Super Smash Bros., or discover your new favorite tabletop or board game!



TAB: Teen Advisory Board (Drop-In)

Thursdays, April 19 & May 17 | 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Make your voices heard! Join us monthly to meet over pizza to help plan programs for teens, make decisions for the library's teen space, play games, promote the library, earn volunteer hours, and more!

3D Print Club (Drop-In)

Wednesdays, April 25 & May 23 | 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Are you curious about 3D printing? Do you want to learn how to create your own designs and print them out? Teens are welcome to join us for an Introduction to 3D printing class, where we will create our own Tinkercad accounts, learn the basics of 3D Printing and design, and even get to see the 3D Printer in action. No experience is necessary!

Dungeons and Dragons Club (Drop-In) **NEW!**

Thursdays, April 5 & May 3 | 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.

We've started a Dungeons and Dragons Club! Grab your twenty-sided die, rev up your imagination, and embark on an adventure with some friends. Newbies and long-time players are welcome. All players ages 13 and up are welcome to join us.





Computer Classes



Some programs require registration () as noted. You may register for programs online at www.mybpl.org (click on "Calendar" at the top of the page), in the Business Office, or by calling (630) 924-2767.

Designing Web Pages With HTML

Monday, April 9 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Sean



In this course, we'll learn how to create basic web pages using HTML code. We will cover basic topics like inserting text, links, pictures, and background colors, as well as more advanced design topics, as time allows. While the library does not provide a location on the internet for students to post their web page, they will learn the skills required to develop one. This class is intended to be introductory but some internet experience is recommended.

eBooks @ the Library

Thursday, April 12 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Charlie



Students will learn to use several free tools to take advantage of the electronic books the library makes available for checkout. How to find books (and more), getting it on your device, details regarding checkout policy, possible snags in downloading, searching the catalog, and more will be discussed.

Getting Started: Your Files

Monday, April 16 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Sean



Every time a picture is taken, a letter is written, or a song is purchased on your computer a file goes somewhere. Learn all about where these files are, how to find them, and copy, delete, and restore them. A great class for anyone with a lot of personal information or pictures they're worried about losing or moving to a new computer.

Virus/Spyware Safety

Thursday, April 19 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Charlie



Don't call the number on your screen! Learn about common security threats, how to remove most virus and spyware issues, what to do to reduce your risk of infection, and how to recover if your computer is infected.

iCloud

Monday, April 23 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Instructor: Sean



Many iPhone, Mac, and iPad users are confused about what is happening with iCloud. What is that message that keeps telling them they are out of space? How do they access their pictures? Is my phone definitely backing up? We'll talk about all these concerns.

Cutting the Cord

Monday, May 7 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Sean



Explore entertainment options beyond paying for cable. We'll discuss how to connect your TV or other devices to streaming services, what options are out there to replace or improve on current service, and how to determine what's right for you.

VHS to Digital

Thursday, May 10 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Charlie



Have some old tapes you'd like to be able to watch on a DVD player or share online? Students will learn to use library equipment to digitize VHS tapes and prepare them for modern viewing. Techniques from basic recording to more advanced tricks like chapter creation will be covered.

Using Android Phones

Monday, May 14 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Sean



Learn how to install and manage your apps, customize your phone using settings changes and widget installations, take advantage of expandable storage, use Google tools, and much more!

CD/DVD Burning

Thursday, May 17 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Charlie



This class will teach students how to burn computer files to a CD or DVD, an essential skill for backing up pictures, documents, or other important information. The basics of working with music, data, and video files, as well as CD/DVD copying, will be discussed. The class works in a Windows 10 environment, but attention will be paid to the issues that come up when burning CDs with an older operating system.

Using Android Phones 2

Monday, May 21 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Sean



Students will learn more about their Android phones, including account syncing, connections to the cloud, managing their files, pay by phone, and beyond.



Kids Corner

Some programs require registration (📅) as noted. Register online at www.mybpl.org, at the Youth Services Desk, or by calling (630) 924-2740. Please have your library card when you register. Registration for Bloomingdale residents begins Monday, April 2 for April programs and Monday, April 23 for May programs. For non-residents, registration opens one week before each program begins.

LEGO Madness (Drop-In)

Mondays, April 2 & May 7 | 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. | grades K-6

Come stretch your imagination and make new friends while building with LEGOs.

Storytime with a Surprise at Stratford Square Mall (Drop-In)

Thursdays, April 5 & May 3 | 11:00 - 11:45 a.m. | all ages

Join us for a themed storytime the first Thursday of every month at Stratford Square Mall (meet by Cafe Court – lower level) and receive a treat for being a good listener! All ages welcome; caregivers must remain with their children.

Craft Time (Drop-In)

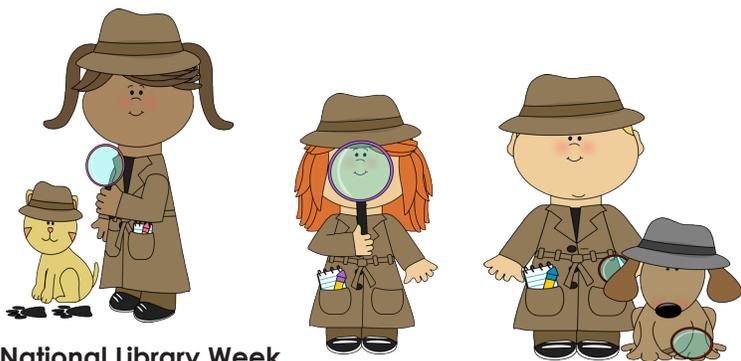
Thursdays, April 5 & May 3 | 3:00 – 8:00 p.m. | all ages

Stop by the Youth Services department anytime between 3:00 - 8:00 p.m. to make a fun craft. We'll supply all the materials needed.

Family Storytime (Drop-In)

Fridays, April 6, 13, & 20 | 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. | all ages

Family Storytime is designed to serve families of babies, toddlers, and/or preschoolers who want to attend morning storytime together. Children will enjoy a variety of books, flannel stories, musical activities, and/or puppets, along with a simple craft. No registration is required.



National Library Week

Guess That Shredded Book Contest! (All week long)

Sunday, April 8 - Saturday, April 14 | all ages

Join the fun as Youth Services continues a popular tradition...guessing which books have been, oh my, shredded by the librarians! Use your magnifying glass to identify the title and author of each tattered book. If there's more than one correct guess, each savvy sleuth will be entered into a drawing.

Storytime, Milk & Cookies at Panera (Drop-In)

Mondays, April 9 & May 14 | 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. | all ages

Location: Panera Bread, 370 W. Army Trail Road, Bloomingdale, IL

Enjoy a special themed storytime with music and nibble on some yummy cookies and milk from Panera!

Sensory Yarn Painting (Drop-In)

Wednesday, April 11 | 4:15 - 5:00 p.m. | grades K-2

Wiggle, twist, drag, and drop! Make unique and beautiful art using yarns, paints, and glue on special paper.

Introduction to Little Bits **NEW!**



Thursdays, April 12 & May 10 | 4:30 - 5:15 p.m. | grades 3-6

The library just received an exciting collection of Little Bits! These toys make STEAM building and inventing electronic gadgets fun and easy. Join us as we start out with the basics and build our first gadget. Provided through a generous donation from the Friends of the Library.

PostCrossing Club (Drop-In)

Monday, April 16 | 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. | grades 1-6

Make and write postcards to send to special recipients all over the world — then come back to see what we get in return!

Kitchen Kids

Wednesday, April 18 | 4:30 - 5:00 p.m. | grades 3-5



Come practice kitchen skills and make easy, kid-friendly snacks and treats! Food is prepared and served at this program, so please notify Youth Services if your child has dietary restrictions.

SAVE THE DATE for SUMMER READING!

"Reading Takes You Everywhere"



Registration begins **Friday, June 1!** Be on the lookout for more information regarding this year's Summer Reading program!





Kids Programs

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Money Smart Week for Kids

Monday, April 23 | 4:15 – 5:00 p.m. | grades K - 2



The Bloomingdale Bank and Trust will teach children to be Money Smart. Participants will receive a gift to take home.

Potty Party

Tuesday, April 24 | 10:30 – 11:00 a.m. | ages 1-5 + caregiver



No more diapers, it's time to use the potty! Toddlers of all stages of potty training are invited to a party with stories and songs to encourage and motivate potty training.



Doodlebugs

Monday, April 30 | 11:00 - 11:30 a.m. | 2-3 years old + caregiver

This is a special art class just for toddlers and parents. Little fingers will experiment with painting, gluing, sticking, and creating, while developing fine motor skills.

I Can't Believe I Made Butter!

Wednesday, May 2 | 4:15 - 5:00 p.m. | grades 3-6



Come make your very own butter while learning about cows and dairy farmers from the DuPage County Farm Bureau. YUM!

I'm a Big Brother or Sister

Tuesday, May 8 | 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. | ages 1-5 + caregiver

Calling all big brothers and sisters, congratulations on your promotion! Join us for some stories and songs about the new arrival in your home.



Mother's Day Gifts for Mom! (Drop-In)

Tuesday, May 8 | 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. | grades K-6

Drop in to make a great crafty gift for that special someone... Mom! Just in time for Mother's Day.

Fly Away Butterflies! (Drop-In)

Thursday, May 17 | 4:15 – 4:45 pm | all ages

Have you ever seen a caterpillar change into a butterfly? Today we watch the butterflies fly away! Join us for this exciting event – we will have butterfly crafts to take home too!

Time for Toys (Drop-In)

Monday, May 21 | 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
ages 3 months-5 years + caregiver

Time for Toys is an informal program giving parents with small children the opportunity to meet and talk with other parents, while children play with toys and games. Provided toys and games are appropriate for children ages 3 months to 5 years.

LEARN with LEGOs for Preschoolers

Wednesday, May 23 | 11:00 - 11:45 a.m. | ages 3-5

Play with LEGOs and build your child's school readiness too! Come to the library for learning and fun. Practice STEM with LEGOs!

Storybook Trail

Back for Spring! Take a walk or ride your bike along the Storybook Trail at Circle Park and enjoy the outdoors while reading *Underground* by Denise Fleming. This family friendly trail is co-sponsored by the Bloomingdale Public Library and the Bloomingdale Park District. Circle Park is located at 163 Fairfield Way, Bloomingdale, IL.



Fly Away Butterflies

Have you ever seen a caterpillar change into a butterfly? Starting on Friday, April 27, we will have the caterpillars here at the library and everyone can watch them as they cocoon and then become butterflies! On Thursday, May 17 at 4:15 p.m., after they transform, we will watch the butterflies fly away!

Summer Day Camp

Where **fun** and **smiles** are guaranteed!



Sign up now at www.bloomingtonparks.org.
Grades Pre-K through 8th.

2018 OASIS Season PASSES ON SALE NOW!

	Early Bird Rate Now – April 30 R/NR	Season Rate May 1 – Summer R/NR
Individual	\$43/63	\$53/73
*VIP	\$55	\$75
Super Pass	\$30/\$50 add'l	\$30/\$50 add'l

*VIP pass may be used for different people throughout the summer. A passholder MUST accompany any person using the VIP pass. Only one VIP pass may be purchased per season pass.



Swim & Dive Team Registration

For children 5-18 years old @ Johnston Recreation Center

Wednesday April 25, 6-8PM

Saturday April 28, 9AM-12PM

Adult Programs



About Chef Pina

Trained in Italy and Belgium, Chef Giuseppa (Pina) Crisopulli offers 25 years of cooking and instruction experience to transport you through the rich history of food in a non-intimidating, fun and simple way.

Recipe Swap

Calling all cooks and those who want to learn! Sign your child up for Unicorn Funfetti Party (# 202624-A1) and while they are in their program, meet with other parents to share recipes and cooking ideas! Feel free to bring samples of any recipe, though it is not required. Bring enough copies to share.

Location: Lake Park H.S. East

Instructor: Staff

MIN/MAX: 6/24

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR	Fee	Code #
Adult	S	11:00-1:00P	4/21	\$10/15		203636-A1

Italian Cooking Classes

Fall in love with preparing and eating Italian cuisine. Classes prepare multi-course meals specific to a topic or region.

Location: Lake Park H.S. East

Instructor: Chef Pina

MIN/MAX: 8/20

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR	Fee	Code #
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Only Italian Seafood

Adult	W	6:00-9:00P	4/4	\$42/42		203679-B3
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From Tuscany to You

Adult	W	6:00-9:00P	5/2	\$42/42		203679-B4
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French & Spanish Gourmet

Delve into the heart of Spain. Learn to create the most delicious paella, a mixed olive salad, prosciutto pate, shrimp fritters and a sweet bread specialty from Spain. Make foods such as coq au vin, stuffed veal napoleon, fish/seafood stew, French onion soup, madeleines and more!

Location: Lake Park H.S. East

Instructor: Chef Pina

MIN/MAX: 8/20

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR	Fee	Code #
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Mid France

Adult	W	6:00-9:00P	4/18	\$42/42		203678-A3
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Provence

Adult	W	6:00-9:00P	4/25	\$42/42		203678-A4
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Chef Pina's Cooking Classes

Participants see, smell, taste, ask questions about, and learn the background of food. Whichever one-night cooking session you choose, you will enjoy a wonderful meal on a night you won't forget. Be sure to wear comfortable shoes, come hungry, and bring a container for leftovers. For more details on individual classes, visit the registration site at www.bloomingtonparks.org.

Location: Lake Park H.S. East

Instructor: Chef Pina

MIN/MAX: 8/20

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR	Fee	Code #
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Old/New World Pizza

Adult	F	6:00-9:00P	4/13	\$42/42		203680-A5
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A Seafood Experience

Adult	F	6:00-9:00P	4/20	\$62/62		203680-A6
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Fresh Bread Friday

Adult	F	5:00-9:00P	4/27	\$67/67		203680-A7
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Fresh Bread Saturday

Adult	S	10:00A-2:00P	4/28	\$67/67		203680-A8
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Not Just Soup Night

Adult	F	6:00-9:00P	5/4	\$42/42		203680-A9
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Parent/Child Class

Adult	F	6:00-9:00P	5/11	\$42/42		203680-B1
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The World's Poultry

Adult	F	6:00-9:00P	5/18	\$42/42		203680-C1
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Comforting Stews

Adult	F	6:00-9:00P	5/25	\$42/42		203680-C2
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Grandparent Gardening Day

Bring your grandparents out for a nature adventure! We'll play games, go on a scavenger hunt, and explore Springfield Park Wetlands. The Dupage County Farm Bureau joins the class for a fun lesson about soil and to make a unique garden plant with the grandchildren to take home! Fee is per child. Grandparents are free. Registration deadline is April 31.

Location: Springfield Pavilion

Instructor: Staff

MIN/MAX: 8/12

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR	Fee	Code #
5-12	Sa	10:45-12:45P	5/12	\$18/23		201114-A1

Purely Active Adult Recreation Club

Looking for something to do on Fridays? Drop in at the BPD Museum 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. every Friday for a FREE activity or event. No registration is required. Visit www.bloomingtonparks.org for more info.

Bike Bloomingtondale

**June 2, 10AM-1PM
@ Circle Park (Homola Picnic Shelter)**

Enjoy a bevy of bike activities at the Second Annual Bike Bloomingtondale!

Bike Rodeo (No registration necessary)

Learn a variety of safety tips and tricks from the Bloomington Police Department, enjoy a mini bike course, and go through a safety check at the Bike Rodeo. Children must bring their own bike, and helmets are required. In the event of inclement weather, the event will be moved into Westfield Gymnasium.

Bike Bloomingtondale

Join other bike enthusiasts on a leisurely 4.0- or 7.0-mile ride led by Mayor Franco Coladipietro Park Board President Buzz Puccio, escorted by the BPD Bike Patrol. All abilities are welcome but riders must be experienced enough to ride 4.0/6.5 miles. Children must be accompanied by a riding adult.

7.0-mile ride: #404117-A1

4.0-mile ride: #404117-A2

Family Bike Bloomingtondale

This family-friendly ride of 1.5 miles remains on nearby park trails and follows a designated route manageable for beginner through experienced riders. Children must be accompanied by a riding adult.

1.5-mile ride: #404118-A1

Sponsored by:



Schedule of Activities

8:30-10:00	Bike Rodeo
10-11:30	Bike registration, bike and helmet safety check, mini bike course, entertainment, giveaways and raffles
11:15-11:45	Check-in for Bike Bloomingtondale
11:30-12:30	4.0/6.5-mile Bike Bloomingtondale
11:30-12:30	1.7-mile Family Bike Bloomingtondale
12:00-1:00	Lunch at Homola Picnic Shelter

Note

Pre-registration for the bike rides is required to receive a Bike Bloomingtondale T-shirt. Helmets are strongly