

# Village of Bloomingdale

# Almanac

August 2021

Growth with Pride

## Save the Date! Second Annual Brew Fest on October 9

Efforts are underway for the 2nd Annual Old Town Brew Fest to be held in Old Town Bloomingdale on October 9, 2021 from 2-6 PM.

We are excited about this year's event and anticipate a larger crowd than the 300 attendees we hosted for the 2019 inaugural event.

This year's festival plans to offer over 50 styles of beer from craft breweries in the Chicagoland area, food from local eateries and the return of the Black Bolts for musical entertainment.



## Bloomingdale Septemberfest is Back! 47 Years of Celebrating Community

On Saturday, September 11, the Village of Bloomingdale will come together to celebrate its traditional end of the Summer season, Septemberfest. After having to skip last year's Septemberfest, this will be the first time since 2019 that the whole village will be able to gather together since the beginning of COVID-19. The kick-off to Septemberfest starts with the parade which features various organizations in town, sports teams, scouts, dancing teams, and a collection of other groups, including local businesses. It steps off at 11:00 a.m. from Tee Lane, heading north to Schick Road, then proceeding west to end up in Old Town. Opening at 11 a.m., the fest runs until 10 p.m. and features a variety of food and drink vendors, crafters, local business

booths, live entertainment, a Kiddie Carnival and much more.

Following the parade, the Opening Ceremony begins at 12:00 p.m. with Mayor Franco Coladipietro welcoming

the community,  
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### Stage Show Schedule

12:00 pm	Fest Opening Ceremony - Mayor Franco
12:10 pm	Joe Draghi Scholarship Winners
12:15 pm	National Anthem & 9/11 Memorial - Bill Wolff
12:20 pm	School of Music
12:30 pm	Bloomingdale Park District
12:40 pm	Brett Walkow Games
1:00 pm	Center Stage Dance
2:00 pm	Noteable Notes
2:30 pm	Brett Walkow Games
2:50 pm	Lights, Camera Dance School
3:20 pm	Animal Show
3:50 pm	Brett Walkow Games
4:15 pm	Wayouts
6:00 pm	Hello Weekend
8:00 pm	Boy Band



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# Ribbon Cutting on June 29 Recognizes Grand Opening of Bucaro Funeral Home

## VILLAGE BOARD, COMMISSION &

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

2nd & 3rd Monday in December  
7 p.m. – Village Hall

## COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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

2nd & 3rd Monday in December  
6 p.m. – Village Hall

## PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month 6:00 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



A ribbon cutting ceremony was held on June 29th to recognize the grand opening of the Bucaro Funeral Home & Cremation Center, owned by Bloomingdale Village Trustee Franco Bucaro and his wife Lauren.

The beautiful new funeral home, which was designed to be bright, welcoming and comfortable, opened on January 1st.

Mayor Franco, Trustee Bill Bolen, Clerk Pam Hager as well as friends and family along with members of the chamber of commerce, Township and County Officials and area clergy were all present to celebrate the ribbon cutting.

Bucaro Funeral Home & Cremation Center is located at 485 W. Army Trail Rd.



Members of the VFW Post 7539, pictured, conducted a Color Guard Ceremony on Memorial Day to honor servicemen and women who have died during military conflict. The ceremony was held at the Gazebo located at Bloomingdale and Fairfield Way by the library. Photo by Gerald Young, a member of the Post.

## Village of Bloomingdale Elected Officials

**Franco A. Coladipietro**  
Village President

**William Belmonte**  
Traffic and Streets

Community Relations  
**Patrick Shannon**  
Facilities, Infrastructure

**Jane E. Michelotti**  
Village Clerk

**Bill Bolen**  
Finance and  
Administration

**Frank Bucaro**  
Planning, Zoning  
& Environmental  
Concerns

### TRUSTEES

**Judi Von Huben**  
Public Safety

**Vince Ackerman**  
Intergovernmental &

## A Message from Mayor Franco

Hope you are enjoying your summer!

What a difference a year makes. The Village has seen some exciting changes to our community. I hope you get a sense of pride as you drive along Lakes Street now that the Village's Streetscape project is complete. The raised planting beds, addition of planting bowls at strategic corners and the identification signs on Lake Street at Circle Ave. and Medinah Rd. provide a clean and fresh new look to our community which has helped rejuvenate the Lake Street corridor.

The Village has purchased the closed golf course portion of Indian Lakes as well as 15 acres of frontage along Schick Road from First Hospitality Group. The Village Board, based on community feedback from the Public Hearings, purchased the property with the intent of preserving this large tract of open space in the heart of our community for current and future residents to enjoy. As the Board begins its discussion, Village Public Works crews have cleared a 5-mile path for residents to come out and enjoy this beautiful open space.

Earlier this year the Village welcomed Raising Kane's along Army Trail and in August the Village is happy to announce the opening of Woodman's whose 250,000 square foot store is bound to bring visitors from a larger area to our community. Also opening (reopening) is the new TJ Maxx/ Home Goods relocating to 156 S. Gary Ave. in the Stratford Crossing shopping center in the former K-Mart building. As the Village has done in the past, we continue our efforts to attract new businesses to Bloomingdale in collaboration with the various shopping center owners. This effort also includes working with the owner of Stratford Square Mall on a redevelopment plan that will revitalize the property and once again be a contributor to our revenue base.

If you haven't visited the Maker's Market in Old Town, be sure to stop by and check it out! The market held on the last Sunday in the Old Town parking lot (Schick & Third Street) from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. offers visitors a number of small businesses offering a variety of choices. Thank you to Alicia Eisenmann from Delish Cakes who brought this idea to the Village to partner on. It is a perfect way to spend a Sunday afternoon.

With the State now in Phase 5 the Village has been planning the return of some of our popular community events. Beginning with a Fireworks show which we have moved from the traditional July 3 date to Friday, September 10. The display will take place at the Village's new open space area of the former Indian Lakes golf course property in conjunction with Septemberfest. After taking in the fireworks the night before be sure to stop by Old Town for the Village's annual Septemberfest on Saturday, September 11. Another fun event being planned for the Fall is the Old Town Brew Fest scheduled for Saturday, October 9 from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in Old Town. The event, which features local craft breweries, provides participants with samples of craft beers to enjoy as well as food from some of our local eateries.

We finish the year with the return of the Village Tree Lighting and Kris Kringle Market on Friday, December 3rd from 4:00 p.m. until we kick-off the holiday season with the lighting of our community holiday tree and the Park District Festival of Lights in Old Town Park. It's always a fun event and one of my favorites!

I hope to see you at one of our many community events. Enjoy the rest of your summer!

Mayor Franco



## Fireworks to Return To Bloomingdale For Septemberfest

Now that the State of Illinois is in Phase 5 of Restore Illinois, the Village is moving forward with plans to host a Fireworks Show in conjunction with Septemberfest.

The event will be held at the Village's new open space area on the former Indian Lakes golf course on Friday, September 10th the day before Septemberfest. The show will begin at dusk and be 25 minutes in duration. So be sure to mark your calendar and come out to join us in celebrating the end of summer!



## Torch Run Items Available for Purchase

The Law Enforcement Torch Run is the single largest year-round fundraising movement benefiting Special Olympics Illinois. The Bloomingdale Police Department has items from last year's event—the 2020 Torch Run, offered at discounted prices:

- T-shirt, \$10
- Baseball Cap, \$10
- Torch Run Pin, \$1.

If you are interested in purchasing any of these items, for more information or to donate to Special Olympics, call Officer Phillip Jaffe at 630-529-9868.



# Help Prevent Local Flooding by Keeping Leaves and Debris Out of Storm Drains

## 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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Please do not rake, pile or blow debris, grass clippings, leaves or tree branches into the street or into, over or near a storm sewer drain. Such debris can cover storm water inlets and prevent water from flowing into the storm sewersystem creating a greater chance for localized flooding. Not only does this create a greater chance for localized flooding, the deposits which eventually decay are also unsightly.

The Village's street sweeping program is designed to only collect those leaves that fall naturally onto the street, NOT leaves that are raked or deposited into the street by the property owner or landscape maintenance contractors.

Please collect and deposit leaves in brown Kraft paper yard waste bags. Each yard waste bag must have a yard waste sticker affixed. Yard waste stickers are sold at the Village Hall, and local retailers such as Caputo's, Ace Hardware and Meijer Supermarket. Tagged yard waste bags may be placed at the curb after 6 p.m. on the night before your collection day.

If you have any questions regarding the yard waste collection program please contact the Village at 630-671-5613.



## Bloomington Chamber Businesses Award Scholarships to Local Students

The Bloomington Chamber of Commerce and donors awarded scholarships to 12 deserving students on June 9. The students' background and where they are headed vary, but they all had something in common besides the excellent grades, they also have given back to their community through volunteering.

Thanks to the generosity of the Chamber members, as well as donors for the scholarship program and restaurants who fundraised.

Scholarship recipients are: (front row, l-r):

Giuseppe Scalera, Michael Ian Rabanal, Sarah Abraham, Christine Andreeva, Skyler Miles, Saveya Vangara, Shawn Dadlani, Abhi Patel, Pari Apostolakos, Maria Grace Fato, Caroline Gebczak, (Not pictured: Kevin Antony)

Donor representatives (back row l-r): Joe Fulco, Chuck Fleming, Mike Davison, Nicole Buchanan, Neil Moscicki, Cate Osterholz, Dr. Aimee Harris-Newon, Chris Karountoz, John Mazzone, Kevin Hagemann.



## Schools Are Opening Soon: Slow Down!

The National Safety Council is reminding motorists that schools will be reopening in August and children will be returning to the school buildings.

School days bring congestion: School buses are picking up their passengers, children are walking and biking hurrying to get to school before the bell rings, harried parents are trying to drop kids off before work. It's never more important for drivers to slow down and pay attention than when kids are present – especially before and after school.



The National Safety Council has prepared the following information to help motorists, parents and children going to and from school.

### If You're Picking Up or Dropping Off, please follow the school specific instructions and routes for this activity.

Make sure you know the instructions and routes for your school; this helps with the safety of all kids. The following apply to all school zones:

- Don't load or unload children across the street from the school.
- Carpool to reduce the number of vehicles at the school.

### Sharing the Road and Crosswalks with Young Pedestrians

By exercising a little extra caution, drivers and pedestrians can co-exist safely going to or from school. School zones have a reduced speed limit on school days. In Bloomingdale, the school zone speed limit is 20 miles per hour. A few precautions go a long way toward keeping children safe:

- When driving, keep off cell phones and other distractions.
- In Illinois, motorists must yield the right-of-way to pedestrians at or in marked or unmarked crosswalks.
- Don't block the crosswalk when stopped at a red light or waiting to make a turn, forcing pedestrians to go around you; this could put them in the path of moving traffic.
- Look out for children in school zones, near playgrounds and parks, and in all residential areas.
- Never pass a vehicle stopped for pedestrians.

### Sharing the Road with School Buses

If you're driving behind a bus, allow a greater following distance than if you were driving behind a car. It will give you more time to stop once the yellow lights start flashing. School buses make frequent stops, so be prepared to slow down and stop around buses. It is illegal to pass a school bus that is stopped to load or unload children.

- Never pass a bus from behind or from either direction if you're on an undivided residential neighborhood street if it is stopped to load or unload children.
- If the yellow or red lights are flashing and the stop arm is extended, traffic must stop.
- The area 10 feet around a school bus is the most dangerous for children; stop far enough back to allow them space to safely enter and exit the bus.



## Could Your Tree be the Next Official Bloomingdale Christmas Tree?



Following the unveiling of the rejuvenated Old Town in 2016, the Village started a new tradition of holding a community tree lighting on the piazza on Franklin Street. So far, each year we have been able to acquire a 30-foot tree from a location in Bloomingdale. The Village arranges to have it cut down and transported to Old Town.

If you have a large tree you are interested in donating as Bloomingdale's official Christmas tree this year, please contact Director of Public Works Jim Monkemeyer at 630-671-5800 or [monkemeyerj@vil.bloomington.il.us](mailto:monkemeyerj@vil.bloomington.il.us)

## 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 <http://www.villageofbloomington.org> and sign up for the E-news. It's easy and free!

# Want to Know More About Police Work? Sign Up for the Citizen Police Academy

## Police Department Mourns Passing of Officer Yelena Malinovskaya



The Bloomingdale Police Department lost one of our young and bright stars on May 28th. Officer Yelena Malinovskaya passed away after a courageous battle against cancer.

Officer Malinovskaya was a very well-respected Officer at the Bloomingdale Police Department since December of 2014. She was committed to the law enforcement profession and dedicated to her family, friends and loved ones.

In addition to her patrol duties, Officer Malinovskaya ran the departments Youth Peer Jury program, as well as being a member of the DuPage County MERIT Major Crash Reconstruction Unit.

She was always cheerful and her positive attitude was contagious. Officer Yelena will be dearly missed by all.

The Bloomingdale Police Department is once again hosting the Citizen Police Academy Program for its community members.

The Citizen Police Academy has been a natural step from the Neighborhood Watch Program to enhance the lines of communication with individuals who live and/or work in Bloomingdale, by providing an insight into police work procedures. The eleven-week program will consist of a series of instruction and discussion to provide an overview of various areas of law enforcement.

The classes will be held on **Wednesday evenings in September, October, and November**, each for a three hour interval (6:30-9:30 PM), during which police officers instruct on the following topics: Department Organization, Testing Process, Building Tour, Adult and Juvenile Criminal Law and Procedures, Traffic Stops and Radar Enforcement, Accidents/Crash Reports, D.U.I. Procedures, Use of Force/Liability, Defensive Tactics, Firearms Safety, Interviewing/Interrogation overview, and K-9 Demonstration.

If you are interested in participating for the Citizen Police Academy or for further information, please contact Sue Osicek (630) 529-9868.



The Bloomingdale Police Department anticipates teaming up with the 200 E Lake Street Dunkin' staff to support the Special Olympics' program and to recognize its athletes. At the time of print, the tentative time is 6:00 AM to Noon on Friday, August 20, Bloomingdale officers will take part in a rooftop sit-in, greeting the customers of the Bloomingdale Lake Street Dunkin' Donuts and encouraging donations for Illinois Special Olympics!

## Watch Commander Steve Abruzzo Retires

Watch Commander Steve Abruzzo began working for the Bloomingdale Police Department in September 1987, and finished his career, after over 33 years, on July 1.

WC Abruzzo held several titles while with the Police Department. He started his service here as a CSO (community service officer), went on to becoming Patrolman, then Detective, promoted to the position of Sergeant in 2016 and finally became Watch Commander.



He had served on the DuPage Auto Theft Task Force and was with the DuPage County SWAT Team where he was with the Entry Team and was a Team Leader, among other roles.

In retirement, Officer Abruzzo plans to stay local for the near future and says that he will miss everyone.

Thank you for your service to our community!

## Commonwealth Edison Making Electric System Improvements on Glen Ellyn Road

The Village of Bloomingdale has received a permit application from Commonwealth Edison Company for electric system improvements on Glen Ellyn Road between Army Trail Road and Carriage Way.

The work that Commonwealth Edison is performing will be to install new switches and transformers as well as smart grid equipment that will help to improve system reliability and reduce the duration of outages during system interruptions. The smart grid technologies allow for more rapid isolation of cable faults, reduces the number of customers having a service interruption, and reduces the duration of power outages.

Commonwealth Edison has indicated that work is planned to begin during the week of August 30th and will take approximately 3 weeks to complete. This work is all on the existing overhead cable system within the project limits. Motorists can expect some daytime lane closures or reductions during the construction activity.

If you need additional information about this project, you should contact the project engineer for Commonwealth Edison, KDM Engineering at 312-763-2198.



## Bloomingdale Women in Business Awards Scholarship



*Bloomingdale Area Women in Business Scholarship winner Katherine McKeown with presenter Stephanie Fuller*

Katherine McKeown is the 2021 recipient of the Bloomingdale Area Women in Business \$1,000 Scholarship.

Unlike many scholarships being earned during this time, this scholarship is awarded to an adult woman who is looking to improve herself professionally with the goal of furthering her knowledge and expertise. McKeown will be able to use her education to further her teaching career while filling a need in our schools.

Katherine will use the scholarship funds to help with her Master's program. She is a dual language fourth grade teacher and is currently enrolled in the second of twelve classes related to reading and literacy.

The new skills Katherine is acquiring will help her become an effective reading specialist and will provide beneficial knowledge that she can use in her classroom. Assisting bilingual students in reading comprehension and instilling a love for reading is her passion. By providing reading support this ensures the student's academic success in all subjects.

Congratulations and best wishes to Katherine!

## Best of Bloomingdale Recognizes Outstanding Businesses



*Pictured are the 2020 Best of Bloomingdale Award Winners*

The Best of Bloomingdale is a signature event hosted by The Bloomingdale Chamber of Commerce, designed to recognize outstanding members of the business community.

This event reaches beyond the chamber and into the community, requesting nominations and incorporating a voting component. Over 475 nominations were received for the Best of Bloomingdale Awards! Nominees who met the initial qualifications were sorted into categories. Voting ends August 9th.

The Best of Bloomingdale Award Dinner to recognize the winners will be held on Thursday, August 26th.



# Septemberfest is Back!

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

The Septemberfest Commission invites 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 2021" in the memo line.

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



Mayor Franco and Village Board members with scholarship recipients and family in 2019.

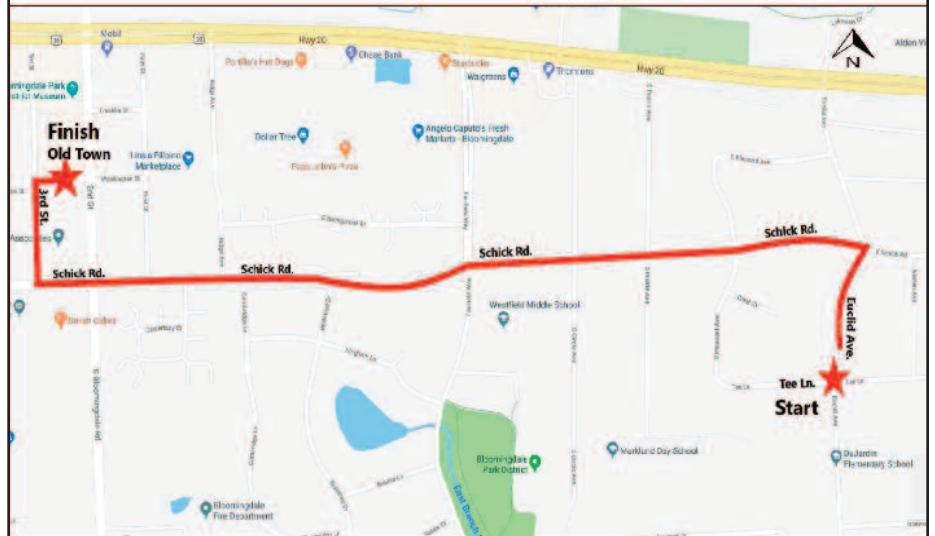
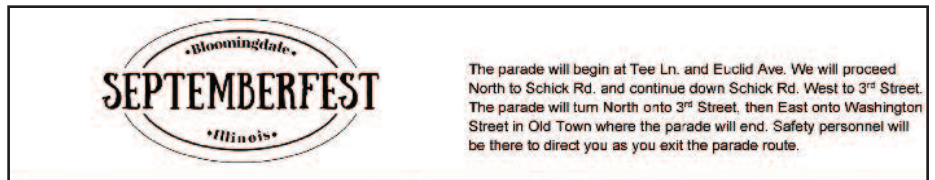
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VFW Post 7539 raising the flag. Following is the introduction of the Septemberfest Joe Draghi Scholarship recipients. This scholarship fund has awarded thousands of dollars to young adults in our community. Thank you to all those who have contributed thus far. The scholarships are largely funded through personal and local businesses.

Following the scholarship award winners will be the National Anthem and 9/11 memorial led by Veteran and retired Assistant Fire Chief Bill Wolff. We have a full slate of local entertainment going into the night with concerts by the Wayouts, Hello Weekend and Boy Band.

The Kiddie Carnival was a hit in 2019 so it is coming back. It will be held in the parking lot where the car show has previously been located and will feature 8-10 rides suitable for youngsters. The rides will be open from 1 pm to 10 pm. Single tickets are \$1.25; a sheet of 20 is \$22. Number of tickets varies per ride.

Plan to meet friends and neighbors at the 47th Septemberfest on Saturday, September 11 in our beautiful Old Town venue!



## GO ORANGE!

**GO ORANGE!** September is National Hunger Awareness Month, when hunger relief organizations and their partners organize events to raise awareness in their communities of hunger and food insecurity. To kick-off Hunger Awareness Month, Mayor Franco has proclaimed Friday, September 17, 2021 as the 11th Annual GO ORANGE DAY for Hunger Awareness in Bloomingdale. Participation in GO ORANGE DAY continues to increase each year throughout the community. The Village urges everyone to join in to Take Action Against Hunger.



- Donate non-perishable Food/Supplies and diapers (size 5 & 6 are in greatest need) to the Bloomingdale Township Food Pantry all year long. During September Hunger Awareness month bring your donations to the **Bloomingdale Village Hall** (201 S Bloomingdale Rd), **Library** (101 Fairfield Way), **Fire Department** (179 S Bloomingdale Rd) or **Park District** (172 S Circle Ave).
- Volunteer at a local food pantry, collecting and/or delivering food to those in need.
- Wear Orange to Work or School on GO ORANGE Day to raise awareness.
- Volunteer at a local food pantry, collecting and/or delivering food to those in need.
- Encourage conversation about hunger with friends, family and co-workers, and on Social Media.
- Donate to the Northern Illinois Food Bank (every \$1 provides \$8 worth of food), and Like Northern Illinois Food Bank on Facebook, follow it on Twitter @ilfoodbank or Instagram.



## The Wait is Almost Over for Woodman's Market!

The Bloomingdale Woodman's Market at 1 Stratford Drive, will be open for business very soon, with an anticipated Grand Opening on Labor Day weekend, 2021. Woodman's is an employee-owned supermarket chain, founded in 1919 as a produce stand, and has grown to operate seventeen stores in Wisconsin and northern Illinois. The Bloomingdale location will be its sixth location in Illinois.

## Vendors Needed



The Village of Bloomingdale is looking for craft and food vendors for the 2021 Kris Kringle Market. The market will be held on Friday, December 3rd from 3:30-8:30 PM in Old Town Bloomingdale, in conjunction with the Tree Lighting Ceremony and Festival of Lights.

To become a vendor or for more information, please contact Lauren Moore, Public Works Operations Coordinator, directly at 630-461-1145 or [moorel@vil.bloomington.il.us](mailto:moorel@vil.bloomington.il.us).



There are still openings for crafter and food booth vendors and parade lineup positions for the 47th Septemberfest on September 11, 2021.

More information and vendor applications are available by clicking on the "Community" tab on the Village of Bloomingdale website and then go to "Septemberfest".

Volunteers are needed from 9-11 PM for assistance with cleanup. Those interested should contact Cindy Allston at [cindy@bloomingtonchamber.com](mailto:cindy@bloomingtonchamber.com) for more information. Volunteers will be greatly appreciated.

# Bloomingtondale Golf Club's – “Tough Pins” – Fall Scramble

## Post Pandemic Utility Bills

The Illinois economy is now fully re-opened. The coronavirus pandemic has declined, the economy is quickly improving and opportunities are available to resume our pre-pandemic activities.

Back in March 2020 the Village Board recognized the hardships that the pandemic was going to have on residents and businesses and suspended all utility account late fees and service disconnections. Now with the economy open once again, the Village will be returning to its practices in the collection of utility bills. Beginning in September the Village will once again be charging late fees and discontinuing service for non-payment.

If you were particularly impacted by the pandemic and continue to need assistance with paying your utility bill, please call us at 630/671-5650 to discuss your account. The Village is interested in assisting you while both of us transition back to an open economy and regular activities.

## Chamber Fundraiser Raising Cane's

Bloomingtondale Chamber and Raising Cane's Bloomingtondale are partnering together to help raise funds for the Chamber's Scholarship Program.

Dine at Raising Cane's in Bloomingtondale on Tuesday, August 31st - mention the Scholarship Fundraising Program or stop by with the flyer to be posted on the chamber website  
[www.BloomingtondaleChamber.com](http://www.BloomingtondaleChamber.com).

A percentage of the proceeds will be donated to the Chamber's Scholarship Fund.

Thank you for supporting local businesses that support this community.



On Sunday, October 17th, 9:30 AM Shotgun Start, Bloomingtondale Golf Club's annual fall scramble event will take place. This is a fun and popular event where winning is not everything! Entertain your good friends and neighbors. Included are the following:

- 18 holes of golf with cart
- Continental Breakfast
- Lunch and buffet dinner with beverages
- Prizes and contests

Also, at the Golf Club, two remaining dates in the “9 & DINE” Event Series:

August 20 (Wild West Themed) and September 17 (Home Style Cookin' Themed).

For more information call the Golf Club at 630-529-6232. Registration forms for the Fall Scramble are available in the Pro shop or on the Bloomingtondale Golf Club's website.



## Paint the Parks

The Paint the Parks initiative began in 2019 when then Park District Executive Director, Carrie Fullerton, approached the Bloomingtondale Artists Association (BAA), about a collaborative project to bring artwork into the newly renovated Johnston Recreation Center. Thirteen BAA members joined the effort and in total created 9 canvas paintings and 4 photographs of Bloomingtondale parks which will be permanently displayed in the Johnston Recreation Center.

Due to the pandemic, Paint the Parks, was delayed, but now the art pieces are ready and will be displayed at the Johnston Recreation Center beginning August 29.

Matt Puchalski, from Masterpiece Framing, professionally framed the artwork and donated his labor and materials for the photographs.

The public is invited to an opening reception at the Johnson Recreation Center, on Sunday, August 29 at 3:00-4:30 PM to view the artwork and meet the artists. All welcome!



*Springfield Park: 'Last Out-I Got It' by Joanne Barsanti*

# Bloomingtondale Fire Protection District #1



## Stay Safe Around Fireworks

Lighting fireworks in the backyard or nearby field might seem like a festive way to entertain the kids. However, thousands of people--most of them children, teens and young adults--are injured each year while using fireworks. It is commonly thought that these injuries happen on or near the 4th of July, but in reality, fireworks injuries continue throughout the summer months.

Help keep the summer fun and safe by leaving any fireworks to trained professionals.

### Common injuries from fireworks

Sales of consumer fireworks increased in 2020, when many community firework displays were cancelled because of COVID-19. Sadly, severe injuries and deaths from fireworks increased, too.

### Safer ways to celebrate:

View from a safe distance. While there may be fewer public firework displays this year, some communities are bringing them back with COVID-19 vaccines now available. If your children are too young to get the COVID-19 vaccine, be sure to stay a safe physical distance at public gatherings.



Wave a flag instead of a sparkler. Sparklers may seem relatively harmless, as fireworks go. But nearly half of fireworks injuries to children under age 5 are related to sparklers. Surprising? Consider this:

- Sparklers burn at an extremely high heat: 2,000 degrees Fahrenheit—hot enough to melt some metals.
- Sparks can ignite clothing on fire and cause eye injuries.
- Touching a lit sparkler to skin can result in third degree burns.

There were about 900 emergency department-treated injuries associated with sparklers in 2020. Roughly 1,600 more injuries were related to firecrackers, 600 to Roman candles, and 600 more to bottle rockets and other rockets. If you are injured, stop, drop and roll to decrease the burning process. Seek medical treatment from your primary care physician or an emergency room if the injury is severe.

Protect your child's hearing. Fireworks and firecrackers can be as loud as 150 decibels—a lot louder than what's considered a safe listening level (75–80 decibels). At close distance, even one loud burst is enough to cause some permanent hearing loss, according to the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association. Stay at least 500 feet away from the fireworks launch site.

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FAX (630) 894-8720

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## Summertime Grilling Tips

There's nothing like outdoor grilling. It's one of the most popular ways to cook food.

But, a grill placed too close to anything that can



burn is a fire hazard. Follow these simple tips and you will be on the way to safe grilling.

- Propane and charcoal BBQ grills should only be used outdoors.
- The grill should be placed well away from the home, deck railings and out from under eaves and overhanging branches.
- Keep children and pets at least three feet away from the grill area.
- Keep your grill clean by removing grease or fat buildup from the grills and in trays below the grill.
- Never leave your grill unattended.
- Always make sure your gas grill lid is open before lighting it.





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### Maker's Market Success



Bloomingdale Maker's Market in June featured 60 local vendors, live music, food trucks and had hundreds of visitors during the four hours!

The market is held in the parking lot at Schick Road and 3rd Street on the last Sunday of every month April-Nov. & Dec. 12th @ 10 AM-2 PM.

Upcoming Bloomingdale Maker's Markets: August 29th and September 26th.

### 5K Race to Stop Hunger

Attention: Runners and Walkers - The 7th Annual Race To Stop Hunger, sponsored by Kids Against Hunger Illinois, is coming to the old Indian Lakes Golf Course! On Saturday, August 28, 8 AM, In-Person (and Virtual). 100% of proceeds go to feeding children! Come as an individual or create a team of friends, co-workers, neighbors and enjoy the morning while raising money for a great cause.

To Register, Sponsor, Volunteer & More Information: [kah-IL.org](http://kah-IL.org). Race Director, Nancy: [racetostophunger@gmail.com](mailto:racetostophunger@gmail.com).

## Bloomingdale Officials Continue to Advocate For Reduced Airport Noise

The increased number of flights over our community is a result of changes to flight patterns from the more north south (diagonal runways) direction to the new east west paths the Federal Aviation Administration and airlines advocated for to improve flight safety. The change has had an impact on Bloomingdale and our neighbors and as such the Village of Bloomingdale advocates for its residents by being an active member of the O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission (ONCC).



The Village has also been a member of the Suburban O'Hare Commission (SOC) that works toward

the same goal of the ONCC and partnered with FAIR in an effort to combine message into one. As a result of the Village's membership in ONCC the group was able to implement an overnight Fly Quiet Runway Rotation Plan that has helped reduce some noise impact from the airport between the hours of 10:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. With the opening of the newly expanded runway 9R and construction of new runway 9C underway (to be completed in 2022) our area should begin to experience some relief from the number of planes traveling over our community. The City of Chicago has told the ONCC that once these two northern runways are completed they will allow for many of the arrivals currently landing on the two southern runways with flight paths over our community to be shifted to the northern legs.

Bloomingdale residents are invited to visit the following link to learn about the full scope of O'Hare improvement projects and provide commentary regarding the Environmental Assessment Study.

[https://www.faa.gov/airports/great\\_lakes/TAPandATEA/#involvement-opportunities](https://www.faa.gov/airports/great_lakes/TAPandATEA/#involvement-opportunities)

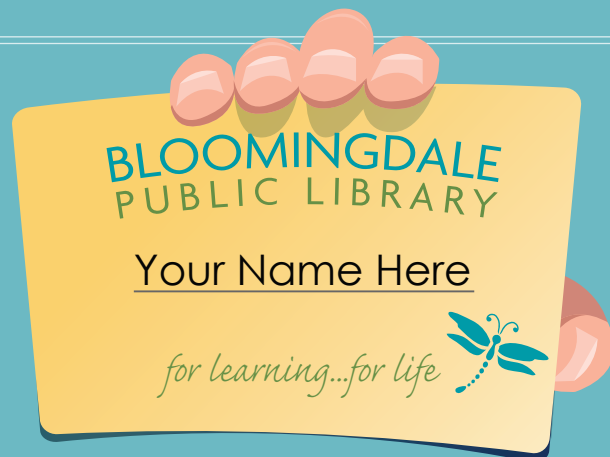
We also encourage you to continue providing feedback and filing noise complaints by calling (800) 914-8537.





### Visit participating Bloomington businesses in September and

# Show Us Your Card!



During the month of September, show your BPL card at the businesses below and receive a special treat! Your treat will be a discount on products/services or a special giveaway.

See our website at [www.mybpl.org/showusyourcard](http://www.mybpl.org/showusyourcard) for a complete listing of participating companies and discounts.

Don't have your BPL card?

Stop by the Library to apply for a new card or to get a replacement if you've lost yours.

Visit [www.mybpl.org/apply](http://www.mybpl.org/apply) for details on eligibility and proof of residency requirements for getting your new card.

Here are a few of the participating Bloomington businesses:

Elements Massage

Delish Cakes

SPENGA Bloomington

The Pampered Chef

Alcentro Trattoria

Texas Roadhouse Bloomington

Challenge Accepted Escape Room



Per Phase 5 of Restore Illinois Guidelines, masks are now optional in the Library for fully vaccinated patrons & staff.

For those that are not vaccinated, masks are strongly recommended.

Special mask rules may apply for programming; see event description or contact the Library for more details.

As a reminder, some patrons & staff will choose to continue wearing masks for various reasons, and we ask that everyone show grace and understanding to each individual.

Visit [www.mybpl.org/covidinfo](http://www.mybpl.org/covidinfo), email [bdref@mybpl.org](mailto:bdref@mybpl.org), or call us at (630) 924-2730 for more information and for status updates.

### 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. beginning September 12, 2021

### Library Closings:

Closed Sundays through September 5

Closed Monday, September 6 in observance of Labor Day

### For updates to hours/services offered:

Call (630) 529-3120 • Email [bdref@mybpl.org](mailto:bdref@mybpl.org) • Visit our website at [www.mybpl.org](http://www.mybpl.org)



If A.D.A accommodations are needed for a program, please contact the Library at least 48 hours before the program.

# Adult Programs

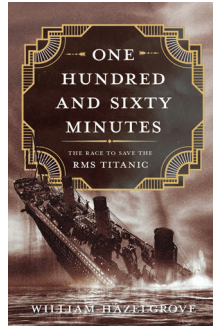


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For programs with special registration requirements, please follow those instructions.  
Virtual classes are noted with 📺.

## 📅 📺 The Race to Save Titanic

Monday, August 16 | 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.  
*Zoom Webinar*

The race to save the largest ship in the world began at 11:40 p.m. on April 14 when it struck the iceberg and ended at 2:20 a.m. on April 15 when her lights blinked out, leaving 1,500 people thrashing in 25-degree water.



## 📅 📺 Discover Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island

Monday, August 23 | 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. *Zoom Webinar*

Join local travel enthusiast and retired librarian Nancy McCully and explore Canada's Atlantic Coast with this visit to its national parks, historic forts, and Anne of Green Gables sites. See the legendary tides of the Bay of Fundy and watch for whales along the rocky coast.

## 📅 📺 The Sinking of the SS Andrea Doria

Monday, August 30 | 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. *Zoom Webinar*

Historian Jim Gibbons will present the story of "The Sinking of the SS Andrea Doria" and how it collided in a thick fog with the MS Stockholm. Gibbons will take you through that terrible night of extreme tragedy that rocked maritime history!

## 📅 📺 US-Cuba Relations 1898-2018: What They Didn't Teach Us in School

Monday, September 13 | 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. *Zoom Webinar*

In 1898, the US declared war against Spain and begin its exploitation of Cuba. Learn how American business interests dominated US-Cuban relations until the 1956-59 Cuban Revolution. Presented by Walt Zlotow, President of the West Suburban Peace Coalition.

## 📅 📺 Virtual Art Class for Adults & Teens

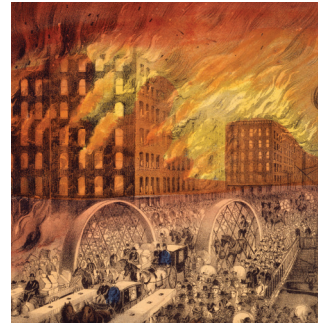
Tuesday, September 21 | 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. *Zoom Webinar*

Join us on Zoom to learn about the elements of the Impressionism art movement and create your own Impressionist inspired drawing with artist Lindsay Budzynski. Class is limited to 15 participants; teens are welcome to register.

## 📅 📺 The Essential Great Chicago Fire

Monday, September 27 | 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.  
*Zoom Webinar*

2021 marks the 150th Anniversary of the fire! It started in a barn and nearly destroyed a city. Hear William Pack weave together technical details of the fire with vivid firsthand accounts, bringing alive all the excitement and terror in a multimedia storytelling event.



## DROP-IN MOVIES

Come enjoy a movie with us at BPL's Drop-In Movie 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.

## MINARI

### Minari

Rated: PG-13

Thursday, August 19  
1:00 – 3:00 p.m.



In a rural area of Arkansas during the 1980s, one family stands out. But for a young Korean-American couple and their children, the chance to create a successful farm means that they have a crack at the American dream.



### Tenet

Rated: PG-13

Thursday, September 16  
1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Armed with only one word, Tenet, and fighting for the survival of the entire world, a protagonist journeys through a twilight world of international espionage on a mission that will unfold into something beyond real time.



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## book discussion groups

Selections are available at the Circulation Desk one month in advance of the discussion. If you have any questions, please call the Reference Desk at (630) 924-2730.

### Historical Book Discussion

To register, email Julie Deeke at [jdeeke@mybpl.org](mailto:jdeeke@mybpl.org).

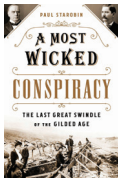
### Monday Night *Page Turners*

To register, email Jessica Frazier at [jfrazier@mybpl.org](mailto:jfrazier@mybpl.org).



***The Kidnapping Club: Wall Street, Slavery, and Resistance on the Eve of the Civil War***  
by Jonathan Daniel Wells

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



***A Most Wicked Conspiracy: The Last Great Swindle of the Gilded Age***  
by Paul Starobin

Tuesday, September 7 | 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**No meeting in August**



***The Falling Woman***  
by Richard Farrell

Monday, September 20 | 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.

### Genealogy Club (Drop-In)

Wednesdays, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.  
August 18 & September 15

We're back to in-person meetings to learn about internet and archival genealogy and research support.

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



The Bloomingdale Public Library Goodreads page is now live!  
Check our page for reading suggestions and reviews shared by library staff and Board.

[www.goodreads.com/mybpl](http://www.goodreads.com/mybpl)

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### ELA (English Language Acquisition)/Clases de ingles - College of DuPage Placement Testing

Bloomingdale Public Library is offering placement testing in the summer for students to register for free online English and Citizenship classes through the College of DuPage. Placement testing will take place on Wednesdays in August at 9:00 a.m. A testing appointment is required.

Contact the College of DuPage Adult Education Department to register for a testing appointment:

by phone: (630) 942-3697

by email: [ela@cod.edu](mailto:ela@cod.edu)

online: [https://www.cod.edu/adult\\_education](https://www.cod.edu/adult_education)

Please note no food, drink, or children are allowed in the testing room.

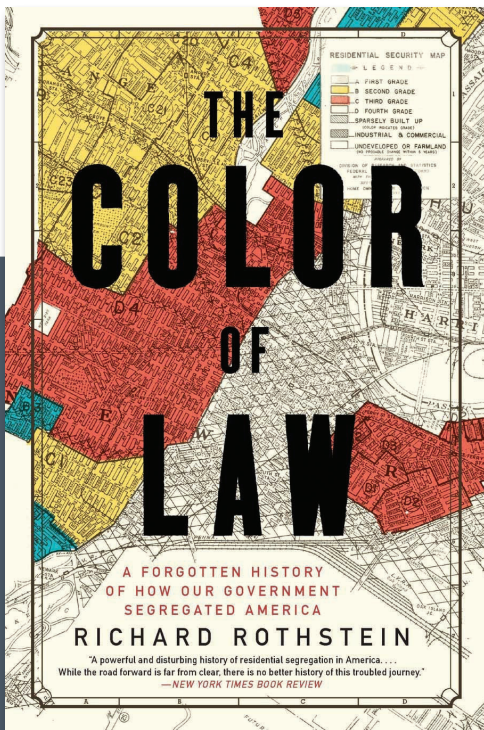
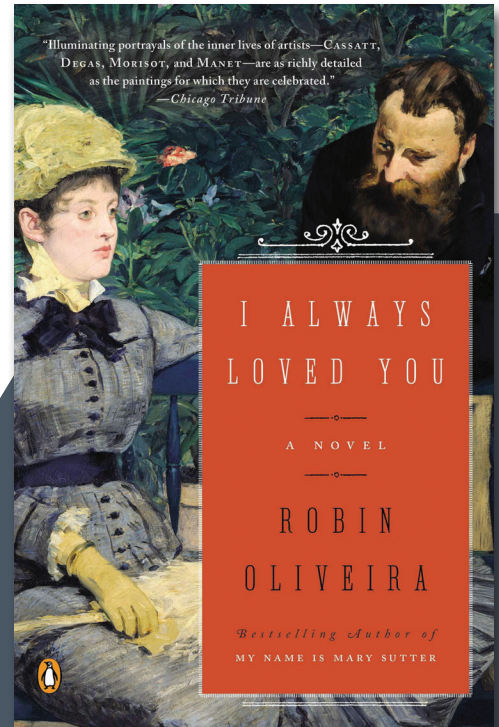
# Coming in October:

## VIRTUAL on the same PAGE

### Bloomingtondale | Itasca | Roselle

Back this year, On the Same Page will feature virtual programs based on the novel *I Always Loved You* by Robin Oliveira.

Virtual programs include book discussions, art history lectures, historical reenactors, crafts, and more. Look for additional information in September.



  **The Color of Law & Reversing Segregation with Richard Rothstein**  
Wednesday, October 13 | 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  
*Zoom Webinar*

Author and researcher Richard Rothstein presents on the policies that led to racial segregation in American communities, and what can be done to reverse these practices and work towards racial equity.

Co-sponsored by multiple Illinois libraries and held in partnership with Racial Awareness in the North Shore (RAIN) and Together is Better Alliance (TiBA).

# Computer Classes



Registration is encouraged for computer classes to receive program updates. Register online, by phone at (630) 924-2730, or by email at [bdref@mybpl.org](mailto:bdref@mybpl.org).

*Virtual classes that are recorded and published on our YouTube channel are noted with . They will premiere on the date/time listed and will remain available any time afterward.*

## IN-PERSON CLASSES HOME TECH

### Cutting the Cord

Monday, September 13 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.  
Instructor: Sean

Explore entertainment options beyond paying for cable. In this class we will 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.

### NEW! Revive that Computer with Linux

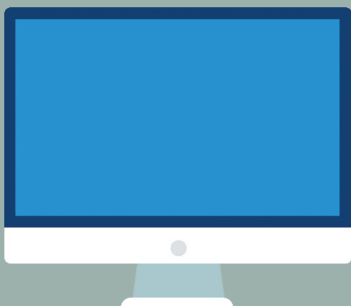
Monday, September 27 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.  
Instructor: Michael

This brand-new class is a beginner-level introduction to the collection of operating systems known as Linux. The presentation will range from addressing the expanding significance of Linux to the guidance needed for personal selection of Linux distribution. Additionally, the class will include a live demonstration of the installation process for a particularly user-friendly Linux distribution.

## RENT-A-TECH

Have a computer question or need help with an online account? Computer Services staff can be reserved for one hour help sessions during select time slots every week.

Contact Computer Services at **(630) 924-2766** or **[bdcs@mybpl.org](mailto:bdcs@mybpl.org)** to schedule an appointment.



## MICROSOFT EXCEL UPDATED!

*Thanks to new recording equipment, these classes have been dramatically improved over the initial release.*

### Excel 1 - Re-Release

Monday, August 23 | 7:00 p.m.  
Instructor: Sean

Learn the basics of creating and using spreadsheets. Formatting, designing, and sorting spreadsheets will be discussed along with the first steps towards creating formulas and using functions.

### Excel 2 - Re-Release

Monday, August 30 | 7:00 p.m.  
Instructor: Sean

Build your Excel skills with more advanced topics such as formulas, graphs, and linking between multiple worksheets.



## GET CREATIVE

### Free Image Editing with IrfanView

Thursday, August 19 | 7:00 p.m.  
Instructor: Charlie

Learn the basics of image manipulation and editing using a program that is freely available in our computer lab or online. Skills such as cropping, rotating, changing file types, and more will be covered. This course should prove helpful for working with scanners or digital cameras.

### Inkscape for Beginners

Thursday, September 9 | 7:00 p.m.  
Instructor: Charlie

Learn the basics of working with this free vector graphics software. Similar to Adobe Illustrator, Inkscape is well suited for print or web images and animations.



## Classes for Seniors

*In these friendly, introductory classes, we'll give you lots of guided hands-on practice and time to ask questions.*

### Seniors Course:

#### Computer Basics

Tuesday, September 21 | 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.  
Instructor: Sean

Learn the basics of dealing with Windows and computer safety.

### Seniors Course: Word Processing

Wednesday, September 22 | 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.  
Instructor: Salvador

In this session, we'll learn about word processing and how to fill out forms on computers.

### Seniors Course: Internet Use & Safety

Tuesday, September 28 | 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.  
Instructor: Sean

Come in to talk about Internet topics, such as browsing the web, email questions and concerns, how the cloud works, and how to avoid viruses.

### Seniors Course: Tablets & Smartphones

Wednesday, September 29 | 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.  
Instructor: Salvador

Learn how to operate your smartphone or tablet. Students will be provided iPads or they are welcome to work on their own devices.

# Teen Programs



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For programs with special registration requirements, please follow those instructions.  
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*Teen Programs are open to 7th-12 graders unless otherwise noted.*

## in-person events @ BPL

### TABLETOP GAMING *Club*

#### Tabletop Gaming Club (Drop-In)

September 2 & 16 | 6:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Join other teens for tabletop gaming and some snacks! Run your D&D campaign or duel in your favorite collectible card game. Players of all games are welcome to attend.

#### Teen Movie Night: *Cruella* (Drop-In)

September 30 | 5:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Join us as we watch *Cruella*. You can even enter for a chance to win the movie! Movie giveaway held following the conclusion of the movie and you must be present to win.



## VIRTUAL SCAVENGER HUNTS

Put your brain power to use for a chance to win prizes! Take part in virtual scavenger hunts throughout August and September for a chance to win an e-gift card. Winners will be announced when the scavenger hunt closes. One entry per teen.

Theme	Date
Books	August 1 - 7
Television	August 8 - 14
Movies	August 15 - 21
Anime	August 22 - 28
Nickelodeon	August 29 - September 4
Cartoon Network	September 5 - 11
Name That Logo	September 12 - 18
Celebrities	September 19 - 25
Music	September 26 - October 2

## TAKE AND MAKE CRAFTS!

To sign up for Take and Make crafts, teens can email [kyager@mybpl.org](mailto:kyager@mybpl.org) the day that registration begins. Crafts are limited to 10 teens.

#### 📅 Heart of Te Fiti Glitter Jar

Sign up begins Monday, August 9

Do you love the movie *Moana*? Make a beautiful Heart of Te Fiti Glitter Jar to decorate your room! Store your keepsakes in it or even a candle.

#### 📅 Light Bulb Aquarium

Sign up begins Monday, August 23

A light bulb, some pebbles, seashells, and a moss ball are all the supplies you'll need to make this easy mini aquarium. Don't forget to change your water regularly to keep your moss ball alive!



#### 📅 No Sew Fox Cozy

Sign up begins Monday, September 13

Keep your hands cool during hot beverage season with this cute and easy to make fox cozy.

#### 📅 Macramé Keychain

Sign up begins Monday, September 27

Learn this easy technique to make a lovely macramé keychain. Give it as a gift, or keep it for yourself to dress up your key ring.



# August is VOLUNTEER MONTH

Although we will not be hosting an in-person Volunteer Fair this year, at BPL we're all about giving back. That's why we are inviting the entire community to take part in Volunteer Month this August!

Stop into the library to pick up information about where you can go to volunteer and how to get started.

After you've volunteered your time somewhere, stop by the Adult or Youth Reference Desks to grab some cool swag!



## PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS:

Almost Home Foundation  
Anderson Animal Shelter  
Bloomingdale Lions Club  
Bloomingdale Park District  
Bloomingdale Public Library -  
VolunTeens & TAB  
Central DuPage Hospital  
DuPage Pads

DuPage Senior Citizens Council  
(Meals on Wheels)  
Forest Preserve of DuPage County  
HandsOn Suburban Chicago,  
sponsor of AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP  
of Northern Cook and  
Northern DuPage Counties  
Kids Against Hunger  
Lakeview Memory Care

League of Women Voters  
Literacy DuPage  
Milton Township CERT  
NAMI DuPage  
Phil's Friends  
Western DuPage Special  
Recreation Association  
World Relief DuPage  
YWCA Metropolitan Chicago

visit [www.mybpl.org/volunteermonth](http://www.mybpl.org/volunteermonth) for more information

# Teen Summer Service Hours

through August 31

We're excited to announce a brand new way for students in grades 7-12 to volunteer their time! All of the volunteer opportunities and activities can be completed online or at home, and logging your time is online as well. This way, you can earn your service hours (and help your community!) as safely as possible.

Students can earn up to five service hours this summer.

Create your account and start volunteering at [www.mybpl.org/summerservicehours](http://www.mybpl.org/summerservicehours)

### Activities include:

No Sew Fleece Blanket for  
**Almost Home Foundation**

Paracord Bracelet for  
**Operation Gratitude**

Create Post Cards for Troops and  
First Responders for  
**Operation Gratitude**

Cards of Hope for  
**Phil's Friends**

Write Birthday, Get Well,  
and Christmas Cards for  
**Local Bloomingdale  
Nursing/Assisted Living Homes**



# Youth Programs



Registration required for some youth programs (noted with 📅). *Registration for August programs begins July 26 at 9:00 a.m.*  
*Registration for September programs begins August 23 at 9:00 a.m.* Register online, by phone at (630) 924-2740, or by email at [bdys@mybpl.org](mailto:bdys@mybpl.org).  
Please have your library card when you register. Virtual classes are noted with 📺.

## In-Person Programs @ BPL

### 📅 Outdoor Scavenger Hunt

All ages

August: The Library Rocks!

Visit outside the library this month to see what kind of secrets await you!

### 📅 In-Person Storytimes

Families

Every Friday in August and September | 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Join us every Friday for in-person storytime. Listen to our staff read stories, sing songs, and tell rhymes.

*Registration for this program will be one week prior to the event.*

*Please register as a family. This event will be held outdoors, weather permitting.*

### 📅 Colorful Butterflies In-Person Release

Families

Thursday, August 19 | 10:30 – 11:15 a.m.

Come visit our caterpillars in the library and join us for an in-person program to release them.

*Registration begins July 26 at 9:00 a.m. Please register as a family.*

*This event will be held outdoors, weather permitting.*

### 📅 Sensory In-Person Storytime

Ages 3-8

Saturday, August 28 | 10:30 – 11:15 a.m.

Come join us for a fun sensory storytime and sensory stations!

*Registration begins July 26 at 9:00 a.m. Please register as a family.*

*This event will be held outdoors, weather permitting.*

### 📅 Celebrate National Teddy Bear Day In-Person at the Library

Ages 2-5

Thursday, September 9 | 10:30 – 11:15 a.m.

Drop your Teddy Bear or favorite stuffed friend off at the library to have some fun on their special day! We will meet outside the library for some crafts and games and conclude with a Teddy Bear Parade. When the parade is over you will leave your stuffed friend with the staff at the library and pick them up the next day to hear all about the fun they had! Please register each individual child attending since we need to know how many sleepover stuffed guests the library will have.

*Registration begins August 23 at 9:00 a.m. This event will be held outdoors, weather permitting.*

**For Youth Services events held indoors, masks will be required for all children ages 2-12 and anyone not vaccinated.**





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## Take It, Make It Kits

As we slowly start back with in-person programming at the library, we want to continue to offer unique experiences that you can do from home.

**Registration for August kits begins July 26 at 9:00 a.m.**  
**Registration for September kits begins August 23 at 9:00 a.m.**

All kits will be available for pick up at the Youth Services Desk during their allotted timeframe.

Please register for each kit individually for each child.

### 📅 Code with Cubetto (Grades K-3)

Kit Pickup: August 2 – 6

Zoom meeting: August 9 | 4:00 p.m.

Help Cubetto move around a cityscape by coding his paths. Then we'll attach markers onto Cubetto so you can code the drawing of shapes for a fun challenge! Please note that registration for this program began on June 21.

### 📅 Beach Time Fun (Ages 2-5)

Kit Pickup: August 9 – 13

Where can you find seashells, sandcastles, and buckets of fun? The beach, of course! This kit will offer one last splash of summer before school gets back in session.

### 📅 Booknooks (Grades 3-6)

Kit Pickup: August 16 – 20

Use our basic kit and found supplies to craft your own piece of art that is a window into a unique world, based on the art collections at the Smithsonian.

### 📅 Back to School! (Grades K-6)

Kit Pickup: August 23 – 27

Get ready to go back to school and make the transition easier with this SEL (Social Emotional Learning) based kit.

### 📅 Girl Scout Packs (Ages 5-7)

Kit Pickup: August 23 – 27

We are partnering with the Girls Scouts to learn more about their programs!

### 📅 Abracadabra! Make Your Own Magic Tricks! (Grades 3-6)

Kit Pickup: August 30 – September 3

Make some cool magic tricks to amaze your family and friends!



### 📅 Traveling Storyshare (Grades 3-6)

Kit Pickup: September 7 – 10

Come get a personalized individual pack of book/activity/snack and get ready to visit places you've never been!

### 📅 Ice Cream Day! (Ages 2-5)

Kit Pickup: September 13 – 17

Celebrate National Ice Cream Day with fun ice cream activities including serving up your own (pretend) ice cream creations!

### 📅 Falling for Apples (Grades K-2)

Kit Pickup: September 13 – 17

Fall is here and that means it is time for delicious apples. Learn more about this delicious fruit with a craft, game, and even a science experiment!

### 📅 Eurovision (Grades 1-6)

Kit Pickup: September 20 – 24

Did you know that Eurovision, the popular song contest overseas, is coming here to America? Get ready to give your 12 points and have fun with music and culture in this interactive kit.

### 📅 Easy Woven Art (Grades 3-6)

Kit Pickup: September 27 – 30

Pick up supplies to make your own woven/embroidered coasters, bookmarks, and more!

### 📅 🖥️ Crochet Along with Miss Carol

Grade 3-8

Zoom Meeting: Monday, September 27 | 5:00 p.m. *Registration for Zoom meeting begins August 23 at 9:00 a.m.*

Learn to crochet along with Miss Carol! YouTube videos will be posted with a tutorial for each project. A supply list and written instructions can be picked up at the library. In addition to the YouTube videos posted each month, Miss Carol will meet via Zoom in September and answer any crocheting questions.

August video: Adjustable Mask Minders    September video: Amigurumi (crocheted stuffed critter)

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## 📺 Virtual Book Discussion:

### **Inkling by Kenneth Oppel**

Grades 4-6

Wednesday, August 18 | 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

What would happen if the ink from your marker drawings came to life and crawled off the page? Join us for a Zoom discussion of **Inkling** by Kenneth Oppel, a 2022 Rebecca Caudill Young Readers' Book Award nominee.

Older family members welcome at the Zoom discussion.

*Registration for this program begins July 15. The first 8 to register get a free paperback copy of the book. A waiting list is available and we will happily put this book on hold for you.*



## Have you read the book around the storybook trail?

Located around Circle Park, a story awaits your family. Be sure to check out The Storybook Trail often as new stories will be featured throughout the summer. The Trail is provided in partnership with the Bloomingdale Park District. Come out and enjoy!



## 📺 Tech Time Online: Homework Help with Brainfuse

Grades 3-6

Week of September 5 – 11

Need to practice for a test? Trouble with your math homework? Does your essay need editing? Get help from Brainfuse HelpNow and make homework less frustrating. We will go over the most useful parts of this online service so you will be able to find the help you need.

## VIRTUAL Storytimes

### 📺 Virtual Storytimes (Families)

Every Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. **on YouTube**

Join us every Wednesday for a short virtual storytime. Listen to our staff read stories, sing songs, and tell rhymes. Storytime videos will be on our YouTube channel and a link posted on our Facebook page.

### 📺 I Can Do It! An SEL-Based Storytime (Families)

Friday, August 6 | 10:30 a.m. **on YouTube**

All emotions are good emotions! Social and emotional learning (SEL) is the process through which children acquire knowledge, attitudes, and skills necessary to understand and manage emotions. Learn about social and emotional learning in this interactive storytime. Each storytime, we will go through the emotion of the day so you can stand on the mountaintops and show off how awesome you are. Mini kits are available at the Youth Services desk for pickup (**first come, first served**) beginning on the video release date.

### 📺 Now Boarding: An International Storytime (Families)

Egypt: Friday, August 20 | 10:30 a.m. **on YouTube**

Get your boarding passes ready! In this storytime, we will be travelling all around the world to learn about different languages, foods, and customs while reading books from the country of the day. Mini kits are available at the Youth Services desk for pickup (**first come, first served**) beginning on the video release date.

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# Donna Beth Froio Cultural Collection



The Youth Services Department houses a special collection called the Donna Beth Froio Foreign Language and Cultural Collection.

The collection began in 1982 with a generous donation by Mr. Dominic and Mrs. Barbara Froio in memory of their loving daughter Donna Beth, who died at the age of 16. The interest from these invested funds is used each year to purchase new items. Titles selected may be in one language, bilingual, or multilingual, or reflective of cultural experience and practices from around the world.

We have added 40 new items this year with these funds. The items reflect demand in the collection and include popular authors' titles in Polish as well as items from Africa, India, Latin America, Afghanistan, China, and collections about Native American and Latina experiences.

Come in to the Library and enjoy these new additions to our collection!



## THE DOMINIC FROIO MEMORIAL GARDEN AT BLOOMINGDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Currently under construction, the Dominic Froio Memorial Garden will welcome all patrons to the Bloomingdale Public Library. The garden will be just to the north of our front entrance and will include seating with outdoor WiFi, distinctive lighting, and an IDNR-certified butterfly garden.

The current "Once Upon a Time..." statue and Memorial Bricks will be reset in place within the garden at the end of construction.

This revitalized outdoor space will be both a peaceful place for reflection as well as an exciting space for additional outdoor programming.

The garden was made possible by a donation from the estate of Mr. Dominic Froio.

Construction is scheduled to end mid-September.

For more details and photos, please visit [www.mybpl.org/dominicfroiomemorialgarden](http://www.mybpl.org/dominicfroiomemorialgarden).

Also coming this fall:

# bpl makerspace

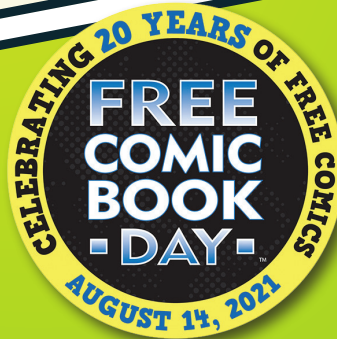
Watch for information about our Grand Opening!

# FREE COMIC BOOK DAY!

Enjoy activities for all ages starting August 14 to celebrate 20 years of Free Comic Book Day.  
Thank you to Keith's Komix (528 S. Roselle Road, Schaumburg) for the support!

GRADES  
K-6

COME TO THE YOUTH SERVICES DESK  
TO CLAIM YOUR SURPRISE BAG OF  
COMICS, ACTIVITIES, AND A CRAFT!  
AVAILABLE AUGUST 14-SEPTEMBER 1,  
WHILE SUPPLIES LAST.



TEENS & ADULTS

FREE COMICS WILL BE  
AVAILABLE TO GRAB AND  
GO FROM THE DISPLAY  
BEHIND THE ADULT  
REFERENCE DESK. STOP IN  
AND HELP YOURSELF!  
3 COMICS PER PERSON,  
WHILE SUPPLIES LAST.

## Friends of the Bloomingdale Public Library

Interested in leadership, volunteering, and community service?

The Friends of the Library are looking for new leadership to continue the wonderful work they've been doing for the past 40+ years benefitting the Bloomingdale Public Library.

If interested, please contact the Friends at [mybplfriends@gmail.com](mailto:mybplfriends@gmail.com)



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We could not have run a successful  
Summer Reading Program without you.

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# Fishing Derby

**September 25, 8-10AM**  
**@ Lakeview Park**

**FREE!**



Sharpen skills and discover hidden fishing talents at the Park District's annual Fishing Derby! Stocked each spring at the Bloomington-Roselle Rotary Club Fish Release, Lakeview Park is full to the brim with an abundance of fish species. Prizes are awarded for all types of catches including biggest, smallest, weirdest and more. Participants must bring their own fishing gear. Bait is provided or you may bring your own. Children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult. This is a catch-and-release event. Prairie State Bass Masters will be at this event to help measure and weigh fish and help with giveaways. Washrooms are not available.

## Paint the Parks

**Opening Reception**  
**Sunday, August 29, 3-4:30PM**  
**@ Johnston Recreation Center**

The Paint the Parks initiative began in 2019 when then Bloomington Park District Executive Director Carrie Fullerton approached the Bloomington Artists Association (BAA), about a collaborative project to bring artwork into the newly-renovated Johnston Recreation Center.

The BAA, all talented artists, loved the idea and agreed to the project. Thirteen BAA members joined the effort and in total created 9 canvas paintings and 4 photographs of Bloomington parks which will be permanently displayed in the Johnston Recreation Center.

Due to the pandemic, Paint the Parks was delayed, but now the art pieces are ready to go and will be displayed at the Johnston Recreation Center beginning August 29.

"Thank you" to the BAA and the artists for creating this wonderful work for everyone to enjoy. The public is invited to an opening reception to view the artwork and meet the artists. All are welcome!

Those interested in learning more about the BAA are invited to contact President Lori Shaffer at [litloie@aol.com](mailto:litloie@aol.com).



# The Clubhouse

Sponsored by Eagle Falls



The Clubhouse Indoor Playground sponsored by Eagle Falls Dentistry is now reopened for family private use. Up to 6 children and 2 adults may reserve The Clubhouse at designated times. The Clubhouse offers three levels of endless play opportunities and age-appropriate activities that challenge physical, social, cognitive, and decision-making skills in children of all abilities ages 3-8 years old.

Reservations must be made in advance. Please visit the JRC Front Desk or [www.bloomingtonparks.org](http://www.bloomingtonparks.org) to make a reservation. Upon arrival, check in at the Front Desk and our Clubhouse Attendant will be called to escort you to The Clubhouse.

## Available reservation times

(Days & Times valid through August 31)

### Tuesdays & Wednesdays

9:00-10:00AM

10:15-11:15AM

11:30AM-12:30PM

### Wednesdays

4:15-5:15PM

5:30-6:30PM

6:45-7:45PM

## Fees (up to 6 children & 2 adults)

\$25/hour Residents

\$30/hr. Non-residents

## Attractions

- Giant Tree
- Spiral Slide
- Sky Wheel
- Dragon's Lair
- Hover Ring
- And much much more!

## COVID-19 Mandates & Guidelines

- Participants must complete the Daily Health Self-Screening Questionnaire prior to Clubhouse entrance.
- Masks are required for children and adults while in the Clubhouse.
- Maintain 6ft of social distance while in the Clubhouse.
- Guidelines are continually changing and will be implemented or eased as mandated by the IDPH, DCEO, CDC and DCHD.

## Rules

- Remove shoes, loose articles of clothing and jewelry.
- Socks must be worn at all times.
- No food, gum or drinks allowed in the Clubhouse area.
- No toys or outside foreign objects allowed inside the play equipment or play area.
- Adult guardians are responsible for the supervision and conduct of their children.
- Play at your own risk. The adult guardian is responsible for determining if the children they are supervising are physically fit and properly skilled for any activity.
- A complete list of Clubhouse rules is posted in the Clubhouse.



# Youth Basketball Association

The Bloomington Youth Basketball Association is a volunteer organization supported by the Bloomington Park District that provides a comprehensive basketball program for Bloomington and surrounding communities. Volunteer coaches are needed for all levels, and coaches may register the same dates and times as player registrations.

## Benefits of youth basketball

- Fitness & Healthy Lifestyle
- Coordination
- Strength Development
- Flexibility
- Social Skills
- Self Confidence
- Politeness/Sportsmanship
- Work Ethic
- Discipline
- Determination

## Age Levels

Age Levels	Code #
3/4 grade boys	102301-A1
3/4 grade girls	102301-A2
5/6 grade girls	102301-A3
5/6 grade boys	102301-B1
7/8 grade boys	102301-B2
7/8 grade girls	102301-B3

## Registration Dates

Please bring your child to have his/her height and weight measured. No player requests will be granted other than sibling. Registration dates are to be determined. Contact [chris@bloomingtonparks.org](mailto:chris@bloomingtonparks.org) for more information.

## Fees

Fees to be determined by September 6. Visit [bloomingtonbasketball.org](http://bloomingtonbasketball.org) for more information.

## Mandatory Coaches Meeting

Day	Date	Time	Location
TBD	TBD	TBD	JRC

## Basketball Contacts

Position	Name	Phone
Athletic Supervisor	Chris Tompkins	(630) 529-3650
President	Janet Sickler	(847) 204-6823
Travel Coordinator	Tony Zakic	(630) 815-3720

## Travel Basketball Program

- Feeder program to Lake Park, Glenbard East and Glenbard North high schools
- For players who wish to play in a more competitive atmosphere
- All players interested in playing travel must attend tryouts
- Coaches are needed for entry level teams starting at fourth-grade boys and fifth-grade girls
- For more information on travel basketball or coaching, contact Tony Zakic at (630) 815-3720.

## Travel Basketball Tryouts

**Location: Westfield Gym**

Tryouts will occur the week of August 15 & 22 for both boys and girls. Registration information for tryouts will be available at [bloomingtonparks.org](http://bloomingtonparks.org).

## Fees

Registration Fee R/NR: TBD

Uniform Fee R/NR: TBD

Fundraising Fee R/NR: TBD



# B-FIT CENTER

172 S. Circle Ave. | Bloomington, IL 60108 | 630-529-3650



### Cardio

- Treadmills
- Ellipticals
- Recumbent bike
- Upright bike
- NuStep recumbent cross trainer

### Machines/Weights

- Weight benches
- Weight rack
- Leg press/calf extension machine
- Leg extension/leg curl machine
- Pulldown machine
- Functional training/strength setup

### Group Fitness

- 946 square feet
- TRX Stations
- Members have access when no classes are in session.

### Membership

<b>Enrollment Fee</b>	\$25
<b>Annual membership</b>	
\$145 Resident	\$185 Non-Resident
<b>Monthly membership</b>	
\$15 Resident	\$19 Non-Resident
<b>Senior (62+) Annual Membership</b>	
\$116 Resident	\$156 Non-Resident
<b>Senior (62+) Monthly Membership</b>	
\$12 Resident	\$15 Non-Resident
<b>Daily Fee</b>	
\$5 Resident	\$7 Non-Resident
<b>Corporate Annual Membership</b>	
\$165/person – 5 employee minimum required	

### Hours

Subject to change due to COVID.

Monday-Thursday	6:30am-7:30pm
Friday	6:30am-6:30pm
Saturday-Sunday	8:30am-12:30pm

Labor Day	Closed
Thanksgiving Day	Closed
November 26	7-11AM

Reservations required. To make a reservation, call (630) 529-3650. Time slots must be strictly followed. Face masks are required while working out.