

Village of Bloomingdale

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April 2022

Growth with Pride

Annual Memorial Day Remembrance on May 30



The Annual Memorial Day Remembrance will return with an outdoor presentation on Monday, May 30 from 9:30-10:30am in the St. Paul Cemetery on the north side of Lake Street.

This year's program theme is *Our Flag*. The Bloomingdale VFW Post 7539 will present the colors, taps, and a gun salute as a tribute to our Veterans.

There is no vehicle access in to the cemetery. Parking will be available in the business lots just west of the cemetery and handicapped parking will be available. Chairs and umbrellas are welcome.

Golf Season 2022 at the Bloomingdale Golf Club!

We are very excited to begin the season once again and look forward to seeing you soon!

Register or re-register for the Community Card

With the 2022 golfing season upon us, we would like to remind you to visit the golf shop and sign-up for your 2022 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 \$15.00.

The 2022 "Swing into Spring" Golf Scramble (10 am shotgun start)

Our 17th annual opening spring scramble event is slated for Sunday, April 10th. This year's event will be limited to (*continued on page 7*)



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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 ceremony took place on Monday, January 24, 2022 at the Village Board Meeting, to recognize the promotion of Sean Noonan to Sergeant (top photo) and the swearing-in of three new police officers - Officer Isaiah Reyes, Officer Dimitri Joe, and Officer Nicholas Buccieri. They are pictured with Mayor Franco and Director of Public Safety Giammarese.

Please join us in congratulating all of the officers! We wish them the best of luck in their new positions!

Village of Bloomingdale Elected Officials

Fanco A. Coladipietro
Village President

William Belmonte
Traffic and Streets

Patrick Shannon
Facilities, Infrastructure

Pamela S. Hager
Village Clerk

Bill Bolen
Finance and
Administration

Frank Bucaro
Planning, Zoning
& Environmental
Concerns

TRUSTEES
Judi Von Huben
Public Safety

Vince Ackerman
Intergovernmental &
Community Relations

Cover photo: The Village of Bloomingdale stands proudly with Ukraine! The Ukrainian flag is flown at Village Hall in a show of support for the people of Ukraine.

A Message from Mayor Franco

I hope that this message finds all of you well. Before updating you on all things Bloomingdale I would like to express our support for the people of Ukraine as war rages in their homeland. We pray for peace and their well-being!

We continue to keep an eye on our finances here at home as we hopefully navigate our way out of the pandemic and back to a more normal life. We finished this past fiscal year (2021-22) with a positive end of year fund balance (where expenditures came in under what was budgeted) while maintaining a high level of service for our community. This reflects the commitment of the Village Board and staff in meeting the highest principles of government budgeting.

Our annual road program, sidewalk and tree programs, quick response to infrastructure issues, as well as snow and ice removal practices all contribute to the positive image of our community. From Public Works to Utilities, Engineering, Building and Zoning, Forestry, Vehicle Maintenance and Building and Grounds, we strive to deliver the highest levels of responsive, cost-effective services.

Our Police Department is second to none and we thank them for their dedication and commitment to serve and protect. The strong focus on consistent training, as well as an emphasis on engaging with the public in casual settings, strengthens their connection to our community.

Another element which strengthens our Village is the business community that makes up our tax base. Did you know that more than 50 percent of Bloomingdale's revenues come from sales tax? This is why it is so important to "Buy in Bloomingdale."

Despite the pandemic, our Village has never relented on its mission to attract new businesses and is well positioned to continue our growth by reaching out and sharing with prospective business why they should be in Bloomingdale.

As our work continues, 2022 will be an exciting year:

- The opening of Culver's on the southwest outlot of Meijer's just south of Schick and Gary Avenue;
- First Watch a contemporary breakfast restaurant based in Florida in the former TGIF;
- Demolition and construction of a new retail development on the auto center site located on Gary Avenue next to Turtle Wax;
- The Village Board will be presenting a possible land development plan for the Stratford Square Mall through an interactive website in which residents will be able to provide comment. Our community will not wait for the current mall ownership to take a financial or development interest in our community. We will use all of the resources available to us to put a plan in place that indicates the Village's commitment to the residents of our community to reimagine and revitalize the Stratford Square Mall.

As the Village Board continues to evaluate possible uses for the Indian Lakes open space, residents are encouraged to enjoy the open walking paths and serene settings. I am happy to share that the former Indian Lakes Hotel is now under a new ownership that has been working with the Village, with the goal of rehabilitating the existing hotel and amenities and reopen the hotel under a national brand. Be sure to follow the Village website and Facebook page for future updates.

Here's to longer daylight, warmer days and BASEBALL!

Mayor Franco



The Bloomingdale Makers Market Returns on April 24

The first market will kick off the 2022 season on April 24th. The market features local Makers and Small businesses offering goods such as home decor, jewelry, food, candles, blankets, clothes, dog treats and much more. It will be held from 10 AM until 2 PM, rain or shine, on the last Sunday of each month April thru November and December 11, 2022. Each market will be located in the parking lot on the corner of Schick Road and 3rd Street. Please use the crosswalk at Bloomingdale Road if crossing Schick Road.



New vendor applications are being accepted for the 2022 market. Please go to delishcakes.net/shop where you will select Maker's Market 2022 Vendor OR Food Vendor. Once selected, you can pay the registration fee and an application will automatically be emailed to the registered address.

Torch Run Items for Sale at Discount Price

The Bloomingdale Police Department has 2020 & 2021 Torch Run items for sale at discounted prices. For more information or to make a donation to Special Olympics, call Officer Phillip Jaffe at 630-529-9868.



Branch Pickup Begins April 18

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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Kramer Tree Specialists, Inc. will perform branch collection under the direction of the Village Forestry Division. Branch collection will begin on April 18th, available only to single family detached residences. Townhome residents should contact their association regarding branch collection.

Branch Collection Guidelines:

- Branches must be out by 7:00 AM on Monday, April 18.
- 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 metal objects must be removed).
- Long lengths are favored, but should 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. For worker safety, these require special care.

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 diameter) flexible willow stems, herbaceous plants and weeds.
- Large stumps, roots and root balls (considered trash).
- Wooden fencing and construction lumber.

The above items are considered yard waste, to be placed in bags or cans with tags for SBC Waste Solutions (312-522-1115). See page 6 for yard waste information.

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



Village Retirement

Mark Garrison began working at the Village of Bloomington more than 34 years ago as an Engineering Inspector/Technician. Twelve years later, he became the Village's 1st Manager of Information Systems (IS) for the next 22 years. Mark was always mindful of spending; through his efforts, the Village reduced spending on various projects. During his tenure with IS, the department implemented broadband wireless communications between the Village facilities, eliminating a need for 3rd party providers.



In retirement, Mark will spend more time with grandchildren and complete multiple projects in his garage. We are grateful for Mark's dedication and wish him well in retirement!

Summer 2022 Road Construction

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:

Cloverdale Road	Thorn Road	Frisco Street/Court
Cheaspeake Street	Biscayne Street/Court	Mission Court
Montego Court	Franklin Street (west of Bloomingdale Road),	
Bloomfield Lane,	Orchard Drive South	Windham Lane
Bloomfield Circle	Fernwood Drive	Ridgewood Lane
Northwood Lane	Woodside Drive	Harvard Lane
Dover Drive	Brentwood Court	Colony Court
Independence Lane	Jefferson Lane	Hancock Lane
Jackson Lane	Constitution Drive	

Bloomfield Parkway between Schick Road and the Clubhouse

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.

Additional information regarding this project can be found on the Village website:



<https://www.villageofbloomingdale.org/859/2022-Street-Improvement-Program>

Pavement Reconstruction – Knollwood Drive

This work will provide a new roadway pavement on Knollwood Drive for its entirety between the Mall Ring Road and Army Trail Road.

The work includes storm sewer repairs where needed, sidewalk repairs where needed, new concrete curb and gutter throughout the project, in-place stabilization and recycling of existing base aggregates, new hot mix asphalt binder and surface course layers, new pavement striping and lawn restorations. When completed, the roadway will have one 12-foot wide lane in each direction and a center 12-foot wide turn lane.

This work will begin early summer and will take approximately 2 months to complete. "Road Construction Ahead" signs will be posted prior to construction. If you have any questions regarding this project you may call the Village Engineering Department at 630-671-5676.

Additional information regarding this project can be found on the Village website including information about recommended detour routes:

<https://www.villageofbloomingdale.org/860/Knollwood-Drive-Traffic-Information>

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



Electronic Recycling On April 2

An Electronic Recycling Program will be available to all DuPage County residents at no cost on **Saturday, April 2nd, 2022** from 8:00 AM to 12 PM at the Bloomingdale Township Highway Department, 6N030 Rosedale Ave. Additional dates in 2022: Saturdays, July 16th & October 1st.

Accepted items:

Computers	Laptops
Servers	Mice
Computer Monitors*	Printers
Televisions*	Scanners
Facsimile	Cables
Wire	Power Supplies
Adapters	Modems
Cell Phones	Phones
Tablets	
VCR and DVD Players	
Video Game Consoles	
Cable and Converter Boxes	
Satellite Receivers	
Electronic Keyboards	
Portable Music Players	
Holiday String Lights	
Docking Stations	

Tax deductible fee applies for all CRT, Flat Screens, Projection TVs and Monitors

- Under 21" screen = \$25/unit
- 21" screen and over = \$35/unit (cash or credit card accepted, no checks)

Questions? Visit:

<https://www.dupageco.org/ElectronicsRecycling/>

This collection is sponsored by eWorks ESRI, whose mission is to provide jobs for developmentally disabled.

Stickers available at many local merchants

2022 Yardwaste Collection Begins In April

Bloomingtondale Lions Club

Easter Egg Hunt April 9: The Lions Club will be partnering with the Park District for the annual **Bunny Bash and Easter Egg Hunt** at Circle Park. The Bloomingtondale Lions will supply all of the plastic eggs filled with candy. Mark your calendar for this family fun event on April 9th!



Steak Fry is back! On May 6 the Lions Club will reintroduce its Steak Fry which has been cancelled the last two years due to the pandemic. The menu will include grilled steak, potato, salad and more. Also, at this event the Lions Club will draw winners from our \$50 per ticket "We Serve" raffle, with a grand prize of \$3,000 and 10 other monetary prizes. Come out and support the Lions Club financially help worthy charitable organizations. To purchase a raffle ticket contact John Argyrakakis of the Bloomingtondale Lions Club at johnargy@att.net or 630-529-7505.

Arbor Day Celebration On April 29

The Village of Bloomingtondale's Forestry Division will celebrate Arbor Day at 1:30 PM on Friday, April 29, by planting a White Oak tree at Circle Park. Bloomingtondale was recently named a Tree City in honor of the Village's commitment to effective urban forest management. All are welcome to attend!

Yard & Organic waste collection starts on the 1st collection day in April and ends on the last collection week in November. The collection cost is based on either a pay-per-bag sticker basis, or under a yard waste cart rental service.

Yard and Organic waste consisting of grass clippings, twigs, leaves, plant material, and acceptable* food scraps must be set out at the curb prior to 6 a.m. on the day of collection.



Yard & Organic waste can be collected in two (2) ways:

- **Yard & Organic Waste Cart Subscription:** Customers may subscribe with the Contractor for a weekly yard and organic waste cart collection service during the collection service season. Cart sizes and prices are as presented in Appendix 1.
- **Yard & Organic Waste Sticker:** Customers can purchase a yard and organic waste sticker and visibly affix the sticker to the yard waste that they set out in the following manner:
- Biodegradable Kraft paper bags weighing no more than 50 pounds, with sticker attached.
- Brush can be set out in bundles no longer than 4 feet in lengths and weighing no more than 50 pounds, with the largest branch no more than 4 inches in diameter, with a sticker attached.
- Clearly marked container with sticker attached, weighing no more than 50 lbs.

*Acceptable Food Scraps: Fruits, Vegetables, Rice, Beans, Pasta, Bread, Baked Goods, Grains, Eggshells, Coffee Grounds and Tea Leaves, can be placed in the yard waste bags and carts. Meats and other food waste are not accepted.

Yard and Organic Waste Stickers are available for purchase at a cost of \$2.80 per sticker (2022 cost) at the following locations:

- Butera Foods - 550 West Lake Street
- Caputo's Fresh Market - 166 East Lake Street
- Jewel Food Store - 2164 South Bloomingtondale Road, Glendale Heights
- Lens Ace Hardware - 272 West Lake Street
- Meijer Supermarket - 130 South Gary Avenue
- Village of Bloomingtondale - 201 South Bloomingtondale Road

Yard & Organic Waste Carts are from SBC at a flat rate cost per collection season of:

- 35 Gallon Yard Waste Cart: \$199
- 65 Gallon Yard Waste Cart: \$279
- 95 Gallon Yard Waste Cart: \$299

Golf Season 2022 At Bloomingdale Golf Club

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the first 20 teams. Updated information will be available on our website.

As for the event itself, 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 \$85 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.

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! We encourage play to take place later in the afternoons of Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays.

"Youth on Course" Program

Bloomingdale Golf Club will be participating in the "Youth on Course" program that is designed to give juniors between the ages of 7-17 the opportunity to play 9 or 18 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 \$30 annual registration fee. Once registered, **the junior golfer will receive an identification card that will need to be presented along with a photo ID** when paying in the golf shop. The junior **MUST** be present in the pro shop (if parent or another adult is paying).

Below are some additional specifics with this program:

- Play at Bloomingdale GC would be Monday, Thursday, and Friday (any time), and after 2 pm Saturday-Sunday (Subject to change)
- The \$5.00 fee covers up to 18 holes of golf – walking
- Juniors can play at any course (locally or nationally) that is part of this program.

Bloomingdale Junior Golf Classic Tournament

Last season we had a tremendous with great feedback for our Junior Golf Classic. Going on its 5th season, we anticipate continued growth. This year's event will be held on Tuesday, July 12th. Various age divisions will be offered along with a choice to play 9 or 18 holes. Additional information will be made available at www.bloomingdalegc.com or in the golf shop.

NINE and DINE Golf Events - This year we will be hosting four fun, social golf events that will consist of 9 holes of couple's team golf utilizing different formats of play. Afterwards, there will be a sit-down meal and awards presentation. The events will be a shotgun start beginning around 5 pm. Tentative dates are the following Fridays: June 17th, July 15th, August 19th, and September 16th. Additional information will be available our website or in the golf shop.

Please visit the golf course website at bloomingdalegc.com for additional information covering:

- 2022 golf rates
- On-line tee time booking
- Junior golf schools
- Venue information for hosting weddings and social events



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 Dept at 630-529-9868.

Upcoming Garage Sales

Bloomfield Hills

North side of west Schick
May 5-7, 2022; 9 AM – 4 PM

Bloomfield Club

South side of west Schick
May 21; 9 AM to 4 PM
Sept. 17; 9 AM to 4 PM

Chateau Lorraine

North of Schick and west of
Bloomingdale Rd.
June 17 and 18; 9 am to 5 pm

Country Club Estates

North of Schick Road and west of
Bloomingdale Road
June 10, 11 & 12; 9 AM to 5 PM

Villa Veneto Condo Association

South side of Lake St and east of
Gary Ave.
June 24 & 25; 9:00-4:00 PM
(Rain Date will be July 15-16)

Protect the Public Water System!

Village Paint & Recycling Event

Saturday, May 14th,
9 AM to 1:30 PM
Bloomington Public Works Facility
305 Glen Ellyn Rd., Bloomington

This event is limited to Village of Bloomington residents only. IDs will be checked, and paint from businesses will not be accepted.

The following paint items will be collected at this event:

- Eyeglasses for Lions Club
- Used Cellphones for Soldiers
- Christmas: artificial trees & lights
- Hot water tanks
- All white goods (refrigerators, wash machines, dryers, ovens)
- Old extension cords
- Paint (Liquid) in cans or containers that do not exceed 5-gallon containers.
- Latex, acrylic, and water-based paints will be accepted
- Oil based, alkyd & flammable paints & stains will be accepted
- All paints must be liquid
- Containers must be closed & sealed with hand-written or product label

The following items will NOT be accepted at this event:

- Paint thinners, paint remover, or cleaners
- Mixtures of paints with any other chemicals
- Spray paint
- Unlabeled containers
- Adhesives, caulk, roofing compounds, or driveway sealer
- Spackle, sheetrock, or joint compounds
- Any other chemicals, products, or waste other than paints

The Village conducts a Cross Connection Control Program in order to prevent contaminated water from entering the water supply. This program is required by state regulation for all Community Water Supplies. A cross connection is a point in a plumbing system where safe, drinkable water is connected to a potential source of contamination such as irrigation systems, fire sprinklers, boilers and chemical feeds.

RESIDENTIAL CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL DEVICES

Residential properties with a cross-connection control device (usually a back-flow preventer on the irrigation system) are required to submit certified test results to the Village each year during the month of May. The inspection must be performed by a licensed plumber certified as a Cross-Connection Control Device Inspector. Failure to have the device tested leaves the Village's water supply at risk and will result in disconnection of the water service until compliance is met and a \$250 reconnection fee is paid.



For more information, please contact the Public Works – Water Production Division at 630-671-5800 or email waterproduction@vil.bloomington.il.us

Vets Say Thank You Bloomington!

Residents showed their generous support during the "Love Our Vets" campaign. The donation drive is aimed to help the Bloomington VFW Post 7539 and Military Outreach USA collect new household items to support Veterans who are exiting homelessness. Donations were collected at Bloomington Village Hall, Public Library and Fire District 1, throughout the month of February.

Pictured above are L to R: Scott Franzen and Ed Cieslak from Public Works and Post 7539 veteran Larry Rogers. Donations were delivered to the Jesse Brown VAMC on Friday, March 4th.

Thank you, Bloomington!



Looking for a Summer Job?

The Village of Bloomington is accepting applications for seasonal employment only in the Public Works Maintenance and Utilities Divisions.



The type of work involves physical labor. Applicants must be at least 16 years of age and must have a valid Illinois driver's license. The starting rate of pay is \$15 per hr. for workers age 18+, and \$13 per hr. for workers age 16-17 years old.

Find applications online at www.villageofbloomington.org under Employment Opportunities. The Village of Bloomington is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Hydrant Flushing June 13-June 28

The Public Works Dept. will perform the annual Hydrant Flushing Program beginning June 13, 2022 through June 28, 2022. **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 improves both water quality and water flow, as well as assuring that the hydrant is working properly. The hydrant flushing by area is as follows:

Byron Area, Westwind, Deer Glen, Medinah Lakes, Medinah Rd. Area (Eastgate, Medinah Grove, Medinah Meadows, Chateau of Medinah, Vittoria Brooke Estates, Casa Bella), Hamilton Woods **Monday, June 13**

Westlake Townhomes, College Quad Fours, Harvard Area, Brookdale Estates, Wilshire Towers, Greenway Area, Glen Ellyn Rd. Deer Glen to Army Trail, Glen Ellyn Rd. – South of Army Trail **Tuesday, June 14**

North & South Suncrest, Medinah Area (Broker, St. Francis, Lori, Hillcrest, Sunset, Dinah, Sodaro), Westlake Highlands (Circle, Euclid, Kingston, Freeport, Ironwood), Medinah on the Lakes, Glen Ellyn Rd. **Wednesday, June 15**

Edgewater Area, Fairfield Area, Fairfield Quads, Canterbury, Springbrook Villas, Springbrook Center, Ridge, Old Town Area – East of Bloomingdale Rd., Bloomingdale Rd. – Greenway to Lake St. **Thursday, June 16**

North & South Lakewoods (Maple, Oak, Franklin), N. Rosedale Area (Carmela, Rose), Founders Pointe, Fessler's Grove, Old Town Square, Bell Towers, Old Town Area – West of Bloomingdale Rd., Royal Ct Villas, On-the-Park, Villas of Thornfield, Bloomingdale Rd. – North of Lake St., Bloomingdale Town Center **Friday, June 17**

Indian Lakes East (Cardinal / Raven Area), Cavalry Dr., Old Town Estates (Jefferson, Jackson), Longridge Area, West Pointe Estates (Hillandale, Rosedale), Indian Lakes Resort, Los Lagos, Aprina Ct. **Monday, June 20**

Springfield Dr. – Schick Rd. to Lake St., Heritage at Stratford, Bloomfield Hills, Chateau Lorraine, Country Club Estates, Villa Way, One Bloomingdale Place, Villa Veneto, Springfield Place **Tuesday, June 21**

Springfield Dr. – Army Trail Rd. to Schick Rd., Indian Lakes West (Meadowlark / Pheasant / Skylark Area), Bloomfield Club, Butterfield Rd., Stratford Estates (White Hall, Old Mill), Park Bloomingdale Condominiums (Glengarry), Stratford Place Apartments, Stratford Green Apartment Homes (Vinings) **Wednesday, June 22**

Schmale Rd., Monroe Dr., Longview Dr., Army Trail Commercial Areas (Gary Ave. to Schmale Rd.), Bloomingdale Court, Knollwood Dr., Scott Dr., Springfield Pointe (Donald Dr.) **Thursday, June 23**

Bayview Crossings, Gary Ave. – North of Schick Rd., Thorn Rd., Stratford Lakes, Camden Apartments, Stratford Square Mall, Merchant's Park, Bloomingdale Walk Townhomes **Friday, June 24**

Gary Ave. – Schick Rd. to Army Trail Rd., Stratford Plaza, Covington/Brighton Area, Madsen Dr. Area, Gateway Plaza, Old Gary Ave. **Monday, June 27**

Hydrants along Lake St., Schick Rd. (West of Bloomingdale Rd.), Army Trail Rd. **Tuesday, June 28**

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

Bloomingdale Garden Club Spring Programs; Flower And Plant Sale

The Annual Flower & Plant Sale will take place on May 13-14 at the Bloomingdale Park District Maintenance Building. 259 Springfield Drive (North end of Springfield Park) on May 13th (12 to 6 PM) and May 14th (9 AM to 5 PM).



There will be professionally grown annuals, hanging baskets, vegetables & herbs, cannas, grasses, tropicals, tuts, Proven Winners, specialty annuals as well as perennials from members' gardens. Enjoy raffles, garden items for sale, and Master Gardeners' Help Desk. Visit bloomingdalegardenclub.org for more information (and to pre-order at pre-sale prices before March 21st) or contact bloomingdalegardenclub@gmail.com. Cash, check and credit cards will be accepted. Proceeds support area charities and garden club monthly programs. The Plant Sale Prep meeting will be on April 19.

Composting: Building Your Garden from the Ground Up on May 17:

Paul Stoffels, University of Illinois Extension Master Gardener, explains the benefits of composting at the May 17th meeting. Composting is the natural process of recycling organic matter into a valuable fertilizer that can enrich soil and plants.

Bloomingdale Garden Club meets every third Tuesday of the month from 6:15 to 8:00 PM at 118 First St. in Bloomingdale. Programs begin at 7 PM. Masks are required and visitors welcome. Please consult bloomingdalegardenclub.org prior to attending for any updates. For more information go to bloomingdalegardenclub@gmail.com.



Meal Me | Meal Prep

Being from an Italian background, resident Sofia Defino was raised with a love for cooking. She earned a degree in Culinary Arts; motivated by her passion for food, along with a love for health/fitness, she opened her own meal prep company in Bloomingdale called Meal Me.

Recognizing that people lead busy lives and that convenience can play a large role in maintaining a healthy diet, Sofia said "We use all fresh ingredients when preparing meals for the week. Each meal comes with a label addressing the meal name, calorie count, macronutrient count and quick reheating instructions". She also noted that supporting local businesses is important to her. "Being local to a community I was born and raised is a big part of why I love what I do so much! Meal Me is located at 148 S. Bloomingdale Rd Unit 112, right in the heart of the town".

To place meal orders, the Meal Me website is open Tuesdays – Fridays and pickup or delivery is on the following Monday; menu changes bi-weekly. For questions or information, you can email Sofia at mealmebysof@gmail.com and their Instagram is [@mealmebysof](https://www.instagram.com/mealmebysof).

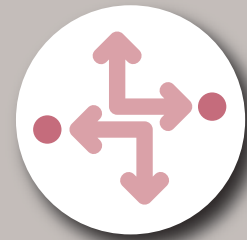


MPJ OT Offers Pediatric Occupational Therapy

MPJ OT a pediatric occupational therapy practice that has recently moved to Bloomingdale from Chicago's west loop & Ravenswood neighborhoods. Michaja Johnson (owner and OT) and Tish Graf (OT) have been working together for 8 years and share common values around providing therapy that is play-based, child-led and family centered. They work with children of all ages who struggle with sensory processing challenges, emotional regulation, picky eating, attention challenges, neurodevelopmental delays, impulsivity, motor skill development, hand eye coordination, difficulties with toilet training, executive functioning skills, and peer interaction.

The goal of therapy at MPJ OT is to focus on the strengths of each child and to use the power of relationships and human connection to promote engagement, communication, positive behaviors, and thinking. Evaluations and Individual sessions for Occupational Therapy & Speech Therapy are offered.

You can email Michaja at michaja@mpjot.org or visit mpjtherapy.com to learn more about the opportunities available.



The Bloomingdale Business Beat

The Business Beat features news about businesses - newly opened, those under construction and those that have something special to tell the residents about.

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

Upcoming Chamber Events

The State of the Village Luncheon is April 12th at the Bloomingdale Golf Course. Join Mayor Franco Coladipietro as he brings you up to date on the news in the community; from new businesses and plans for the future to the state of the Village's finances. Register at www.BloomingdaleChamber.com/Events.

Restaurant Week is Returning! Restaurant Week, April 22-May 1, is a celebration of diverse culinary flavors and the local restaurants who bring us these many tastes. Participating restaurants will have special menus and offers during this time. The more you dine out, the more chances you have of winning a bundle of gift cards donated by participating restaurants. To enter, each receipt of \$10 or greater from a participating restaurant can be sent to Contest@BloomingdaleChamber.com.

Bloomingdale has a wide variety of restaurants; this is a great opportunity for you to taste a new restaurant or dish. To view the list of participating restaurants and menus visit www.BloomingdaleChamber.com closer to April 22nd.

Bloomingtondale Fire Protection District #1



Smoke Alarm Reminders

While updating clocks on your phone, microwave, watch, and in your car are all musts, there's one thing you may have overlooked last month for Day-light Saving Time: Replacing the batteries in your smoke detectors.

The annual changing of clocks serves as an excellent reminder to complete another vital task. The two times a year we change our clocks also serve as a valuable reminder to change the batteries in our fire detectors.

According to a survey by ServiceMaster, only 57% of Americans have followed best practice and change the batteries.

Also, don't forget to inspect your fire extinguisher for any signs of corrosion, missing pull-pins, and/or changes in the pressure gauge.



Jaws of Life Training



Two of the Bloomingtondale Fire Protection District's newest full-time candidates were shown how to gain access to a patient in the event of a motor vehicle accident with impingement. They each got some quality tool time operating what is commonly referred to as the "jaws of life."



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Jim Ketcham Promoted To Lieutenant

Congratulations to Jim Ketcham on his recent promotion to Lieutenant. Jim has been a very active member within the department in his 12 years on the department. Jim is a part of the Technical Rescue Team, and the Haz-mat Team.



He is also a vital member of the Pension Board, Foreign Fire Insurance Board, Wellness Committee, and of course the Union President to the Bloomingtondale Professional Firefighters Local 3272.

Most importantly, he is a family man of two beautiful girls, and husband to his wife Marialisa. Jim is a highly motivated and passionate Firefighter bringing a positive impact going into the role of Lieutenant.



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**POSTAL PATRON LOCAL
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Congratulations!

Bloomingdale resident and high school junior Santina Celli was named by the United States Figure Skating to represent the US in a synchronized ice-skating competition at Patinoires du Littoral in Switzerland. She and her team Starlights, ranging in ages 13-18 yrs. old, competed in February at the Neuchatel Trophy and earned the Bronze medal for the US. They competed against 10 other teams from different countries around the world.

Great job Santina and the entire Starlights team!



Stay In Touch

Consider signing up for the Village's weekly E-News, which includes timely and critical information (as it becomes available) from in and around town to all subscribing emails.

Go to <http://www.villageof-bloomingdale.org> to sign up.

Senior Fair

Friday, May 13, 2022
9:00 am - 12:00 noon

Medinah Banquets
550 N. Shriners Dr.
Addison

- Government Agencies
- Recreation Opportunities
- Safety & Health Information
- Blood Pressure Checks
- State ID
- Vision & Hearing Screening
- Care Facilities & Agencies
- Community Groups
- Support Services

Presented by:



The Senior Fair is free for seniors to attend. If you are interested in having an expo table at this event, contact the Bloomingdale Chamber at 630-980-9082, or www.BloomingdaleChamber.com/Events.

Hobby Turned Passion is Now Mahan Family Wines

After traveling the world to seek out the best wines, the finest earth, and the most knowledgeable winemakers, Phil and Ann Mahan decided it was time to make their own wine. What started as a hobby, turned into a passion to connect the Midwest with a-list wine culture, producing multiple award-winning wines.

The Mahans established their vineyard in Michigan, are able to produce 5,000 bottles of wine a year and most recently, they opened a speakeasy wine bar in Bloomingdale, which is currently open by reservation only. Their wish with Mahan Family Wines is to share a love for winemaking through wine education, wine tasting and wine travel, connecting kindred spirits in the cellar and community.



The speakeasy is open 6 to 10 PM on select nights. To make reservations, book a private event, or to make a purchase, visit <https://www.mahanfamilywines.com/>.





NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK ★★

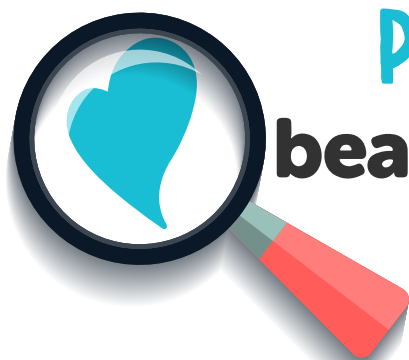
APRIL 3-9, 2022

CONNECT WITH YOUR LIBRARY

Celebrate **National Library Week** with us -
stop by the library to pick up some free BPL giveaways and show off your library support!

Discover everything we have to offer:

- ★ Makerspace, 3D printing, computer classes, and online courses ★
- ★ eBooks, audiobooks, digital magazines, and streaming movies and music ★
- ★ Museum passes for local attractions ★
- ★ Programs for all ages ★
- ★ STEM and music kits, video games, and board games ★



EXCLUSIVE PREVIEW!

beanstack

Summer reading will look
a little different this year!

Get ready for

Beanstack, our new
reading challenge software.

It includes cool new features like
family registration/logging, an attractive app, and
fun activities like tracking your reading streaks.

FREE COMIC BOOK DAY!

Celebrate Free Comic Book Day at the library!
Create super crafts and pick up some free comics
(3 per person, while supplies last).

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(528 S. Roselle Road, Schaumburg, IL 60193) for the support!

Saturday, May 7
12:00 - 3:00 p.m.

All ages
No registration necessary

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.

Library Closings:

Sunday, April 17 in observance of Easter
Sundays for summer beginning May 29
Monday, May 30 in observance of Memorial Day

For updates to hours/services offered:

Call (630) 529-3120 • Email bdref@mybpl.org • Visit our website at 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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📅 **Vision: See Yourself There Before You Get There (Lake Park Reads)**

Tuesday, April 5 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Learn to achieve your goals with motivational expert, producer, and author Cherise Nicole Ragland. Cherise encourages participants to get a vision for their future, because without vision you can't see where you're going. Her motto is "If you can see it, you truly can achieve it!"



📅 **April Showers with Heather Braoudakis**

Tuesday, April 19 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Enjoy the songs of spring from showers to sunshine to flowers, inspired by the timeless poem with Chicago Symphony Chorus singer Heather Braoudakis.

📅 **Makerspace Craft: Mother's Day Pennant Banner**

Tuesday, April 19 | 3:00 – 4:30 p.m. OR
Wednesday, April 20 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Registration Limit: 4 per session, Bloomingdale Public Library card required, ages 12 to adult. Please sign up for one session only.

Learn how to use the library's Makerspace equipment and make a Mother's Day pennant banner.



📅 🖥️ **Chicago Architecture Highlights – A Virtual Walking Tour**

Monday, April 25 | 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Zoom Webinar

Chicago is widely recognized for its variety of modern architectural styles and for its groundbreaking status in the engineering and design development of the skyscraper. Art historian Jeff Mishur presents important examples of buildings constructed in the late 19th century and introduces some of the Chicago School's key players including Louis Sullivan, William Le Baron Jenney, and Ludwig Mies van der Rohe.

📅 **Magical Mackinac Island**

Tuesday, April 26 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Explore Mackinac Island with retired librarian and travel enthusiast Nancy McCully as she takes us on a tour of the land of ferryboats, history, fudge, and family fun. Admire the island's natural beauty, forts, lighthouses, Victorian cottages, and legendary hotels.



📅 **DIY Faux Flower Wreaths**

Monday, May 9 | 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Learn how to make your own faux flower spring wreaths in this quick and easy DIY workshop where we use dried grapevine wreaths and elements of spring to make beautiful and unique designs. Limit 10 - adults only.



📅 🖥️ **Betty Crocker and Her Cookbook That Changed How America Cooks**

Monday, May 16 | 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Zoom Webinar

Long before Martha Stewart, there was Betty Crocker. Created in 1921 by a flour company, Betty Crocker became the most trusted advisor to American cooks. This fun illustrated lecture by historian Leslie Goddard, PhD, looks at the invention of Betty Crocker, why her 1950 Picture Cook Book has endured, and what makes her so iconic.

📅 🖥️ **ICash Search with the Illinois State Treasurer's Office**

Tuesday, May 17 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

A representative from the Illinois State Treasurer's office will be on hand to assist you in discovering if the State is holding any money owed to you through its ICash program. The State holds these lost funds until they are claimed, either by the original owner or by their heirs. Property is returned at no cost with the proper identification.

📅 🖥️ **James Bond – The History, the Thrills**

Monday, May 23 | 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Zoom Webinar

Climb into our Aston Martin as we enjoy the history of the Bond films, examining how they reflect our changing values over the past 50 years. We'll also view the greatest moments from the films— fast cars, incredible gadgets, fascinating women, and colorful villains! Join us as we travel all over the world with Bond...James Bond. Presented by Steven Frenzel.



Join BPL on **Goodreads!**
Get reading suggestions and book reviews shared by library staff and Board.

www.goodreads.com/mybpl

Coming Soon!

📅 🖥️ **Name Change 101**

Thursday, June 23 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Zoom Webinar

Learn the criteria and procedures for making a legal name change in Illinois. Gender self-determination, free of government limitations, is the goal of this workshop. The Transformative Justice Law Project of Illinois provides free help to guide transgender and gender nonconforming people through the complicated and expensive process of making a legal name change. This event is in collaboration with the Roselle Public Library. Registration opens April 25th.



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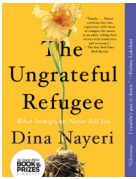


book discussion groups

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.

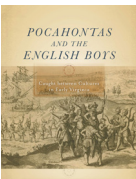
HISTORICAL BOOK DISCUSSION

To register, email Julie Deeke at jdeeke@mybpl.org.



The Ungrateful Refugee: What Immigrants Never Tell You
by Dina Nayeri

Tuesday, April 5 | 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

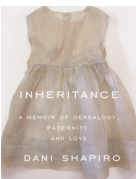


Pocahontas and the English Boys: Caught Between Cultures in Early Virginia
by Karen Ordahl Kupperman

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

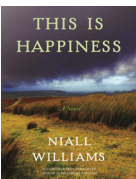
MONDAY NIGHT PAGE TURNERS

To register, email Jessica Frazier at jfrazier@mybpl.org.



Inheritance: A Memoir of Genealogy, Paternity, and Love
by Dani Shapiro

Monday, April 18 | 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.



This is Happiness
by Niall Williams

Monday, May 16 | 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.



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.



King Richard

Wednesday, April 13 | 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

A look at how tennis superstars Venus and Serena Williams became who they are after the coaching from their father. *Rated PG-13*



North by Northwest

Wednesday, April 27 | 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

A New York City advertising executive goes on the run after being mistaken for a government agent by a group of foreign spies, and falls for a woman whose loyalties he begins to doubt. *Rated PG*



Steel Magnolias

Wednesday, May 11 | 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

A group of women in a small southern town share a powerful bond of friendship and family. *Rated PG*



No Time to Die

Wednesday, May 25 | 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

James Bond has left active service. His peace is short-lived when an old CIA friend turns up asking for help, leading Bond onto the trail of a mysterious villain armed with dangerous new technology. *Rated PG-13*

ONGOING ADULT PROGRAMS

🗳️ Great Decisions

Wednesdays, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
April 20 & May 18

The Great Decisions discussion program is a civic education program administered and produced by the Foreign Policy Association. In preparation for the discussion, participants read the relevant chapter on a particular foreign policy issue in the Great Decisions briefing book that will be available for check out, followed by a moderated discussion among the participants. Registration is required and limited to 15 participants. To register, email Julie Deeke at jdeeke@mybpl.org.

In-Person Event

Genealogy Club (Drop-In)


Wednesdays, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
April 20 & May 18

Join us in person to learn about internet and archival genealogy and research support. Members share strategies and explore library resources with guidance from genealogy librarian Leslie Drewitz.

In-Person Event

Computer Classes

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

Computer Classes are now in person at BPL unless otherwise noted. Virtual classes (noted with ) are prerecorded and published on our YouTube channel. They premiere on the date/time listed and will remain available afterward.

Using Zoom

Monday, April 11 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Sean

This class will help students become comfortable using the Zoom videoconferencing tool. Creating accounts, joining meetings, using video & audio, creating meetings of your own, and much more will be covered.



Excel 1

Monday, April 18 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Sean

Learn the basic concepts 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

Monday, April 25 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Sean

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

Intro to Python

Thursday, April 28 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Salvador

Learn the basics of this versatile and popular programming language.

Excel 3

Monday, May 16 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Sean

This class will provide a deeper investigation of formulas, graphs, and formatting techniques, as well as examining other functions provided by Excel.

Beginning Gaming with Raspberry Pi

Thursday, May 19 | 7:00
Instructor: Charlie

In this beginner's guide to creating a retro gaming device with Raspberry Pi, viewers will learn the basics of setting up and using these low cost computers.

Making YouTube Videos

Monday, May 23 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Sean

This class will teach students how to prepare their movies for publication on YouTube. Time will be given to mobile apps, desktop computer options, and the tools YouTube provides. Students may sign up for a free account through Google.



Did you miss a virtual class? Perhaps you want to brush up on your skills? If so, see our YouTube page at www.youtube.com/user/bloomingdalelibrary.

We have playlists for you to find anything you need:

- Computer Classes •
- How to Use BPL Services •
- BPL Crafts • Adult Programs •
- Youth Programs •
- BPL Piano Shows •

Check it out today!

bpl makerspace equipment profile

Silhouette Cameo 4 Plus

The Silhouette Cameo 4 machine and software cuts numerous materials, from paper to fabrics to vinyl. It is popular for cutting vinyl, heat transfer vinyl, and paper, and it has a wider cutting area of up to 15 inches by 60 feet. We also offer some specialty tools, including the sketch pens, pen holder, punch blade, and kraft blade.



Stop by the Makerspace during our open hours to use this and other equipment we have for Bloomingdale Public Library cardholders.
For more information, visit www.mybpl.org/makerspace.



Teen PROGRAMS

Registration required for some teen programs (noted with 📅). Register online, by phone at (630) 924-2730, or by email at bdref@mybpl.org.
For programs with special registration requirements, please follow those instructions.

Teen Programs are open to 7th-12 graders unless otherwise noted.



For all of our teen volunteer opportunities, see page 8.

Teen Crafts @ BPL

📅 Sharpie Mugs

Wednesday, April 13 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Design your very own custom mug!
Use oil based paint markers to create a one of a kind cup.

📅 DIY Charm Bracelet

Thursday, April 21 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Choose from hundreds of charms to make your own bracelet.
Keep your unique creation for yourself or give it as a gift!

📅 Paint a Bookend

Wednesday, May 25 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Use your imagination to decorate a bookend
that will be displayed in the Teen area!

Teen Take & Make

To sign up, teens can email kyager@mybpl.org the day that registration begins. Limit 10 teens.

📅 Diamond Art Keychain

Sign up begins Monday, April 4

Pick up a kit to create keychains that are works of art.
Use the diamond painting technique to create five sparkling keychains to decorate your backpack or to give as gifts.

📅 Star Wars Felt

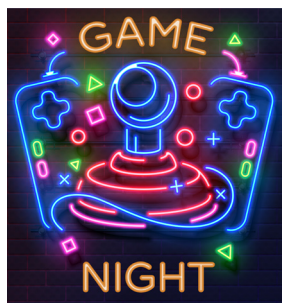
Sign up begins Monday, May 2

May the fourth be with you! From Han Solo to Boba Fett, you can create these ten Star Wars figures from a galaxy far, far away.
The kit includes step-by-step directions and color photos to help you advance from Padawan crafter to Jedi felt master.

Game Night (Drop-In)

Thursdays, 6:00 – 8:30 p.m.
April 28, May 12 & 26

Join other teens for gaming on our big screens or a tabletop! Check out the Nintendo Switch, race in Mario Kart 8, brawl in Super Smash Bros., battle in Overwatch, or discover your new favorite tabletop or board game! Grades 7-12.



Teen Book'd Bags

Teens, fill out the online form and receive...



YA novel selected just for you!



Snack



BPL Gift



No need to return anything to the library!

Catch a Movie with BPL!



Join us to watch a movie together and enter for a chance to win the movie! Movie giveaway held following the conclusion of the movie and you must be present to win.

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Space Jam

Wednesday, April 27
6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

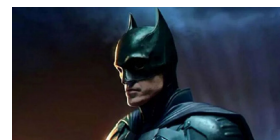


Meet Me @ THE MOVIES

Meet our Teen Librarian to see a new release movie!
Meet at The Picture Show, 324 Army Trail Rd, Bloomingdale, IL 60108.
Time will be announced to registrants before film date.
Movie tickets and snacks will be provided. Limit 10 teens.

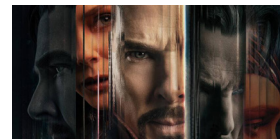
📅 The Batman

Friday, April 11 | Meeting Time TBA
Sign up begins on Monday, March 7



📅 Dr. Strange in the Multiverse of Madness

Friday, May 27 | Meeting Time TBA
Sign up begins on Monday, May 2



Youth Programs



Registration required for some youth programs (noted with 📅). **Registration for April programs begins March 21 at 9:00 a.m.** **Registration for May programs begins April 18 at 9:00 a.m.** Register online, by phone at (630) 924-2740, or by email at bdys@mybpl.org. Please have your library card when you register.

In-Person Programs @ BPL

Please register individually for each child unless otherwise noted.
Masks are recommended but not required for all in-person Youth Services programs.

📅 In-Person Storytimes

Families

Fridays in April and May

10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. OR 11:15 a.m. – 11:45 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 open one week prior to the event. Please register as a family and for only one storytime per week.

April Fools (Drop-In)

Grades K-6

Friday, April 1 | 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Come to the Youth Services desk on the last day of spring break and make a fun April Fools craft.

📅 Fart Science!

Grades K-2

Wednesday, April 13 | 4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Explore the crazy world of animal (and human!) farts, how scientists study them, and then make a silly science craft.

📅 STEM Club: Tech Time

Grade 3-6

Thursday, April 14 | 4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Come get some hands-on time with tech at STEM Club! This month we will be working with programming the Root Robot and building with Snap Circuits.

📅 We Love the Earth

Families

Friday, April 22 | 1:00 – 1:45 p.m.

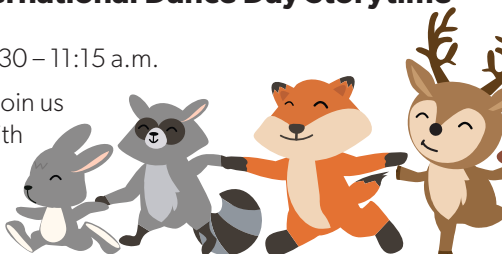
Let's learn about how to care for our Earth and what we can do to celebrate its beauty.

📅 Celebrate International Dance Day Storytime

Families

Tuesday, April 26 | 10:30 – 11:15 a.m.

Get ready to boogie! Join us for a storytime filled with moving and grooving.



📅 Make A Mermaid Hair Comb

Grades 2-6

Thursday, April 28 | 4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Join us in the Makerspace to create your own magical mermaid hairpiece to keep or give as a gift.

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📅 Soup Opera Puppets

Ages 2-5

Thursday, May 5 | 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Create a giant puppet and then use it for a theatrical reading of *Soup Opera* by Jim Gill.

📅 STEAM Challenge

Grades 3-6 with adult partner

Monday, May 9 | 4:15 – 5:15 p.m.

Engineers solve problems using math and science. Work together with your adult partner to engineer a solution to the challenging problem using the materials in your mystery bag.

📅 Make a Grassy Garden Gnome!

Grades 2-6

Tuesday, May 17 | 4:30 – 5:15 p.m.

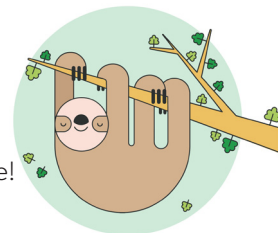
Watch your adorable garden gnome come to life with a head of fast-growing grassy hair you can trim any way you like.

📅 Sloth Planter

Grades 4-8

Thursday, May 19 | 4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Come share some snacks and sculpt a hanging planter that looks like a sloth hanging from a tree!



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Take It, Make It Kits

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

📅 **Have Fun with Unicorns** (Grades K-3)

Kit Pickup: April 4 – 8

Make fun unicorn crafts and activities to transport yourself into your own fairytale land!

Peter Rabbit 120th Anniversary (Grades K-2)

Kit Pickup: April 11 – 15

Virtual Storytime: April 15

Beatrix Potter loved drawing her favorite bunny, Peter Piper. Celebrate the 120th anniversary of the publication of Peter Rabbit with take home crafts and activities, plus your own Peter Rabbit book!

Sun Catchers (Grades 3-6)

Kit Pickup: April 18 – 22

Now that spring has fully sprung, make a colorful sun catcher to hang in your window.

Puppet Show (Ages 2-5)

Kit Pickup: April 18 – 22

Have your own puppet show at home with this fun and interactive kit.

Mother's Day Crafts (Grades K-2 **OR** Grades 3-6)

Kit pickup: April 25 – 29

Make a great crafty gift for that special someone... Mom! Just in time for Mother's Day. Please register for the correct age group.

Cinco De Mayo Celebration (Grades K-2)

Kit Pickup: May 2 – 6

Let's TACO 'bout it! It's time for a fiesta! Let's celebrate with stories, games, songs, and more!

Find a Bird Day (Grades 3-6)

Kit Pickup: May 9 – 13

Birds are flying north now that spring is here. Learn about the birds that live nearby, the best places to spot birds, and make a bird craft.

Get Ready to Garden! (Families)

Kit Pickup: May 16 – 20

Make fun crafts to learn about gardening and decorations for your garden and/or backyard to kick off gardening season!



1000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

1000 Books Before Kindergarten: New Revamped Program Coming Soon!

Experts recommend children hear at least 1000 stories before they learn to read themselves. Families who read aloud to their children strengthen their language skills and build their vocabulary. Let BPL help you celebrate your child's progress toward this goal with the **1000 Books Before Kindergarten** program.

Any child residing in Bloomingdale is eligible to join the program from birth until the day they enter Kindergarten. Families can track reading with paper logs or use **Beanstack**, our new online reading program software. Contact the Youth Services desk for more information by calling (630) 924-2740 or emailing bdys@mybpl.org.



Crochet Along with Miss Carol

Grades 3-8

YouTube Video Post on 15th of each month

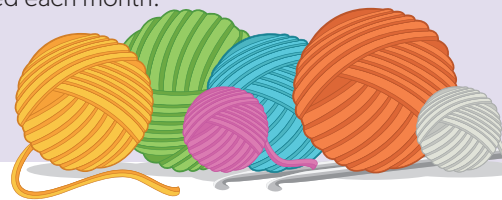


Learn to crochet along with Miss Carol.

Check the Library's YouTube page for video tutorials for each project. A supply list and written instructions can be picked up at the library. New projects will be posted each month.

April – cell phone pillow

May – water bottle sling



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 Storybook Trail is provided in partnership with the Bloomingdale Park District. Come out and enjoy!

Teens - Volunteer at BPL!



Teen BOOK REVIEWS

Do you love to read and review books? Then write reviews for our new Teen Book Reviews shelf on Goodreads! Each review will earn you one service hour and you can complete three reviews per month. Your reviews will be added to our Goodreads page and other social media accounts.

Visit www.mybpl.org/teenbookreviews to get started!

volunTEENS

Are you a student going into grades 7-12? Are you looking for a fun way to get job experience, earn service hours, or make a difference in the community? If so, the **Bloomington Public Library VolunTEENS** program is looking for you! During your summer vacation, we'll develop a schedule to fit your availability and our programming needs. You'll work 10-15 hours over the 8-week program with BPL's Youth Services staff preparing crafts, keeping the library tidy, and helping with special projects. Summer is an exciting time at the library—be a part of it!

If you are interested in joining our group of amazing VolunTEENS, applications can be picked up in the library at the Youth Services desk or found on our website at www.mybpl.org/volunteer.

Please contact Carol Leeson, VolunTEEN Coordinator, at 630-924-2744 or email cleeson@mybpl.org if you have any questions regarding the program.

Applications accepted from April 8th - May 27th.

TAB: Teen Advisory Board (Drop-In)

Wednesday, May 18
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!



LAKE PARK READS

A MULTI-COMMUNITY READING EVENT

Sunday, April 3 - Saturday, April 9

Becoming & Being a Chef: The Inside Scoop

Monday, April 4 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. • In-Person Event at Itasca Community Library

Vision: See Yourself There Before You Get There

Tuesday, April 5 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. • In-Person Event at Bloomington Public Library

Emancipation to Inauguration: The Black Experience in Chicago

Thursday, April 7 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. • Virtual Event hosted by Roselle Public Library District

Arshay Cooper, Author of *A Most Beautiful Thing*

Saturday, April 9 | 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. • In-Person Event at Lake Park West - 500 West Bryn Mawr Ave., Roselle
Residents from Bloomington, Itasca, and Roselle are invited

Adult Variety

MediCare 101

Medicare can be confusing. Tom Perrucci from Premier Medicare Benefits presents a FREE educational seminar to get you up to speed on what Medicare covers, what it doesn't and your potential out-of-pocket exposure. Class reviews Medicare Supplements, Medicare Advantage Plans, Part D Prescription Coverage, and cost-saving strategies for the years ahead.

Location: JRC Lounge **Adult (tr)**
Instructor: Tom Perrucci **MIN/MAX:** 6/12

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
18-99	Tue	6:30-8P	Apr 26	\$Free/\$Free	203606-A1

Bingo

Save the last Wednesday of every month and join us for some bingo fun. All supplies will be provided. Prizes to all winners! Please pre-register.

Location: Johnston Rec Center **Adult (rr)**
Instructor: Staff **MIN/MAX:** 16/16

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
47-99	Wed	10-11:30A	Apr 27	\$Free/\$Free	203777-C1
47-99	Wed	10-11:30A	May 25	\$Free/\$Free	203777-D1

The Lounge



The Lounge is relaxing space in the Johnston Recreation Center for active adults and seniors. It features a comfortable seating area to watch TV and movies, and play cards or games. It also includes areas to get active with Wii video games or table tennis. There is plenty of space to simply relax and pass the time. Free coffee is available daily.



The Lounge is FREE to all adults; however, some programs and lunches require a registration fee to participate. Monthly calendars are available for pick-up on the 20th of each month at the front desk of the Johnston Recreation Center. Contact Rebecca at rebecca@bloomingtonparks.org or (630) 529-3650 to join the mailing list.

THE LOUNGE

Hours

Monday-Friday 9:30AM-12:30PM or specified on the monthly Calendar

Adult Trips

The Hideaway

Join us for a night out with live music. Food trucks on site for purchasing late night snacks. Bring your own blanket and chair to set up in the lawn. Band is TBA. Registration deadline is May 6.

Location: Roselle Park District **Adult (rr)**
Instructor: Staff **MIN/MAX:** 4/4

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
18-99	Thu	7-10P	May 12	\$30/\$35	203205-A1

Brookfield Zoo

Join us for a day of walking and seeing all the animal exhibits at Brookfield Zoo. Lunch will be on your own. Trip includes parking and transportation. Tickets and attractions on your own. Registration deadline is May 13. Pick-up and drop-off is at the Medinah Park District, 22W130Thorndale Ave., Medinah.

Location: Medinah Park District **Adult(rr)**
Instructor: Staff **MIN/MAX:** 4/4

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
21-99	Fri	8:15A-3P	May 20	\$15/\$20	203208-A1



Season passes on sale now!



Season Passes

	Early Bird Rate Now – May 31	Beginning R/NR	Season Rate June 1	R/NR
Individual	\$59/79		\$69/89	
VIP	\$65/\$85		\$75/\$95	
Super Pass	\$30 add'l/family		\$30 add'l/family	
Senior (62+)	\$49/69		\$59/79	

Passholder Benefits

- Early daily admission
- Option to purchase a VIP pass
- Discounted private rentals
- Discounted parties
- Passholder Appreciation Night
- Two one-day guest passes per family

General Information

- Renewed Oasis passes do not require a new picture to be taken if you possess your 2021 pass.
- A new picture is required if you have not had a new picture taken in the last two years.
- New 2022 passes require a picture to be taken at JRC prior to entering The Oasis.
- Super Passes require a new picture every year.
- 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 household.
- Children 8 and younger must be accompanied by a responsible individual 16 years or older for Oasis entry.
- Refunds for Oasis passes will not be granted after the pool has opened for the season.
- Proof of residency is required to receive the resident pass rate.

Have your celebration or party at The Oasis this summer!

Whether it's a birthday, graduation, office party or family reunion, we have the solution for you!

- Private rentals
- Birthday parties
- Sports teams
- Combination gym & swim parties/rentals
- Passholders receive a 10% discount on rentals and parties.

Reservations begin April 20, 2022 at the JRC or email natalie@bloomingtonparks.org. Make your reservation early as dates fill quickly!



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

Enrollment Fee	\$25
Annual membership	
\$145 Resident	\$185 Non-Resident
Monthly membership	
\$15 Resident	\$19 Non-Resident
Senior (62+) Annual Membership	
\$116 Resident	\$156 Non-Resident
Senior (62+) Monthly Membership	
\$12 Resident	\$15 Non-Resident
Daily Fee	
\$5 Resident	\$7 Non-Resident
Corporate Annual Membership	
\$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

Easter	Closed
Memorial Day	Closed



Silver Sneakers & Prime Network Programs

The Bloomington Park District is proud to offer **SilverSneakers** and **Prime Network** in partnership with Tivity Health. If you are a member of either program, you are eligible for a membership at the B-Fit Center and SilverSneakers classes (coming soon!) at the Bloomington Park District. For more information regarding either program, please visit www.tivityhealth.com.

Museum

Bloomington Artists Association Spring Show & Scholarship Auction

Gallery I

April 9 – May 7

Reception: Sunday, May 1, 2-4PM

BAA presents a multi-media array of styles and subjects for their Spring Show. They will also have small pieces for silent auction to provide a scholarship for a high school student interested in pursuing art. **Masterpiece Framing** is a partner in this student award.



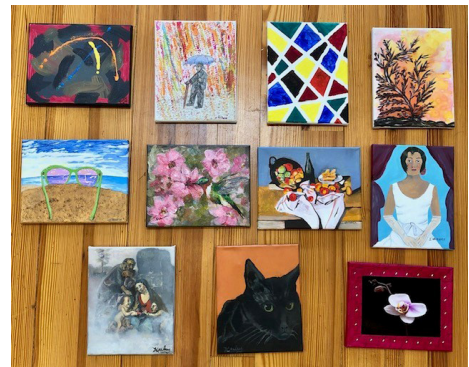
OUTCRY: Voices from the Earth

An Exhibit on Climate Change by local artist Suzanne Garnier Layer

Gallery I

May 28 – June 25

Through mixed-media paintings the voice of Mother Earth and the voices of Great Women of this earth cry out to us about the dangers to our world and our personal response to climate change. Local artist and 49-year resident Suzanne Garnier Layer will display her vision of our possible future.



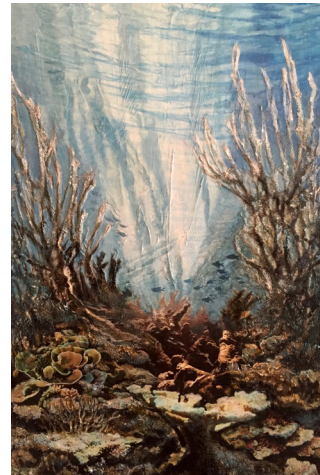
fotoMuses present "OUVERTURE"

Gallery II

April 9 – May 7

Reception: Sunday, May 1, 2-4PM

Also known as prelude, introduction, opening, new beginnings--the women artists of the fotoMuses will be creating visual interpretations of this thought-provoking theme. Follow each Muse as they walk you through their view of "new beginnings." The fotoMuses is a group of 13 women photographers from the Chicago area, each of whom has her own unique style and favorite subjects. The Muses share a love of photography, a dedication to learning and growing, and a desire to share with others. Their images are a visual feast for our museum visitors.



Juried Multi-Media Show: VIEWPOINTS

Gallery II

May 28 – June 25

We are looking for artwork that expresses your feelings about global challenges facing society today: health, technology, pollution, environment, communication or social issues. Keep in mind the imagery must be family-friendly. As we face the future with hope and uncertainty, let these multi-media artworks inspire dialogue, solutions and consideration. All media welcome, 2D and 3D.

Conveniently located near Old Town Bloomington
108 S. Bloomington Road, Bloomington

Museum Hours During Exhibits

Wednesday 5-8PM | Thursday 12-4PM | Saturday 12-4PM