

Village of Bloomingdale Almanac

April 2023

Growth with Pride

Annual Senior Fair



Free to attend, the Annual Senior Fair will be held on Friday, April 14, from 9AM until noon at Medinah Shriners Facility, 550 North Shriners Drive, Addison.

- Safety & Health information, including Blood Pressure Checks, Chiropractic & Therapy needs
- Community Groups & Support Services opportunities
- Bloomingdale Lion's Club will perform vision and hearing screening services & collecting used/unwanted eyeglasses

For information contact Bloomingdale Chamber of Commerce, 630-980-9082.

Welcome to Golf Season 2023 at the Bloomingdale Golf Club!

At the time of reading this, the golf course will be up and running for hopefully another fun-filled and successful golf season! Golf has really taken off over the past 3 years and we look forward to this continuing.

Just a few reminders as the golf season kicks in at Bloomingdale Golf Club:

Register or re-register for the Community Card

With the 2023 golfing season upon us, we

would like to remind you to visit the golf shop and sign-up for your 2023 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 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.

- Visit bloomingdalegc.com and print out the form and bring it in.

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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

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



Lake Park High School District 108's Transition Assistance Program (TAP) is a functional life skills and vocational training program that supports young adults, ages 18-22, with diverse needs acquire job training in an authentic setting.

TAP will celebrate its annual Autism Walk benefiting the Autism Society on Friday, April 28 from 10:00am to 1:00pm at Clauss Recreational Area (555 W Bryn Mawr Ave, Roselle). There is a \$1.00 entrance fee for all participants, proceeds raised benefit Autism Society. To donate, please bring cash or check. The annual event will also welcome back TAP alumni, Lake Park P.E. classes, and staff members.

After the walk, please stay for a social hour; TAP is excited to have Fun Fun Fun DJs, Doctor Dogs, and Kona Ice at the event this year! The event is open to the public, so please invite your students' families and friends; stay tuned for more details in the Village Enews as the date gets closer! In the meantime, please fill out the RSVP Form at tinyurl.com/TAPAutismWalk.

For more information, contact Stephanie Hester, Vocational Teacher, at 630-529-3236 or shester@lphs.org.

Save the Date for Arbor Day Recognition

The Village of Bloomingdale's Forestry Division will celebrate Arbor Day at 1:30 PM on Friday, April 28, by planting a tree at Circle Park; all are invited to attend! Bloomingdale was recently named a Tree City in honor of the Village's commitment to effective urban forest management.

Village of Bloomingdale Elected Officials

Franco 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

A Message from Mayor Franco

You might think that I am partial to this Village we live in and you would be right. We have much to be proud of and grateful for.

We continue to be good stewards of our financial base, having finished this past fiscal year (2022-23) with a positive end of year fund balance (where expenditures came in under what was budgeted). This positive end of year balance reflects the commitment of the Village Board and staff in meeting the highest principles of government budgeting.

Our annual road program, sidewalk accessibility compliance, reaction to main breaks and other 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 in its 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 impact on our community. Another element which strengthens our Village is the business community that makes up our tax base. Did you know that 35 percent of Bloomingdale's revenues come from sales tax? This is why it is so important to "Buy in Bloomingdale."

The Village Board along with staff are always working to attract new businesses to our community and build on our partnership with existing businesses who help make our retail base strong. This past year we welcomed a number of new businesses including First Watch at 302 W. Army Trail Road, Culver's at 455 W. Schick Road, Belle Tire at 126 Gary Avenue, and Eggceptional Café at 369 W. Army Trail Road. Additionally, we saw the relocation of Burlington Coat Factory from the Stratford Square Mall, to Stratford Crossing on Gary Avenue.

This year aims to be an exciting year with Cooper's Hawk coming and Poke Bros., serving fresh, high-quality fish and farm-fresh veggies in an authentic Hawaiian poké bowl, opening in April at 398 W. Army Trail Road (former Fulla Bologna). The Village will continue our efforts to attract new businesses to Bloomingdale in collaboration with the various shopping center owners.

The Village continues to finalize future plans for our open space at the Indian Lakes property as well as the new plans and direction for the hotel property. We are also working on a redevelopment plan for the Stratford Square Mall property that recreates the space into a more vibrant center that meets the needs of residents and visitors based on feedback received from our residents. I will be rolling out some of our plans for both properties at my State of the Village presentation for the Chamber of Commerce on April 26 at the Bloomingdale Golf Club.

More reasons I am partial to Bloomingdale - our wonderful residents who are so supportive of the efforts on the part of the Village Board and employees, our partnering agencies; Park District, Library, Fire Department, and the business community who make Bloomingdale the great community it is. Thank you!

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

Mayor Franco



Memorial Day Remembrance on May 29

The Annual Memorial Day Remembrance will take place at 9:30 a.m. on Monday, May 29 at the St. Paul/Evergreen Cemetery, 219 Lake Street, Bloomingdale, just east of Circle Avenue.

The 45-minute program will be followed by placing flowers on the gravesites of Veterans and light refreshments. There will be no vehicle access to the cemetery, but parking is available in the shopping center lot at Circle and Lake Streets.

Handicapped parking will be available in the business lots immediately west of the cemetery. A shuttle bus to the cemetery will be available from the Cornerstone Faith Community Church parking lot on Bloomingdale Road from 8:45-9:15am and return service until 11:15am. Open seating is available and lawn chairs are welcome. Please bring umbrellas in the event of inclement weather.

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



Village's Spring Branch Collection Begins on April 17

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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The branch collection service is performed under the direction of the village Forestry Division. This free service is only available to single family detached residences and is offered 3 times a year, in the spring, summer and fall. The spring collection begins on April 17.

The program is limited to small property maintenance clean-up projects and not intended for collection of limbs or trunks from whole tree removals, which MUST be disposed of privately.

Branch Collection Guidelines:

- Branches must be out by 7:00 AM on Monday, April 17, but not earlier than one week prior to each scheduled collection date.
- Woody branches ½ inch to 6 inches in diameter are the only items that will be picked up (Note: all 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 pickup (312-522-1115).

Large stumps, roots and root balls are considered trash and do not require a yard waste tag, provided each item is of manageable size and under 50 pounds. Wooden fencing and construction lumber are also considered trash, but require a special pick-up. Contact SBC at 312-522-115 for more information.

In the event of severe storms, the Village will provide storm damage collection of woody branches 1/2 inch to 6 inches in diameter. Please contact the Forestry Division at 630-671-5800 within 72 hours of storm for branch collection.

Our Apologies for the Omission

In the February Almanac, the Police Department recognized the 2022 Block Captains of the Neighborhood Watch Program whose efforts promote the positive lines of communication between their neighborhoods and the emergency service agencies of our area. Sharon Murphy's name was inadvertently left off as a Block Captain, so the Police Department would like to express appreciation to Sharon for her dedication to the program!



2023 Street Improvement Program

Pavement Reconstruction

Pavement reconstruction will include the removal and replacement of all concrete curb and gutter, driveway aprons, and 2.5" of the existing asphalt pavement. As part of the work the Village will be installing a depressed curb at each driveway. This means the "bump" at the curb of each driveway will be eliminated, and a smooth transition from the street to each driveway will be constructed. The following areas will receive pavement reconstruction:



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:

Euclid Ave. (from Schick Road to DuJardin School)	Warren Ave.		
White Hall Terrace	Old Mill Ln.	Kensington Ct.	Lakemont Ct.
Annalisa Ct.	Canterbury Ct.	Ivy Ln.	Manor Ln.,
Downing Dr.,	Edgebrook Dr.	Hawthorn Ln.	Juniper Ln.,
Covington Drive	Camden Dr.	Scott Dr.	Brighton Dr. Fox Ct.
Edgewater Dr. (from Bloomingdale Rd. to Glen Ellyn Rd.)			

This work will typically begin mid-May and will take approximately 2 ½ months to complete. Local signage consisting of "Road Construction Ahead" signs will be posted prior to construction.

Additional information can be found on the Village website:

<https://www.villageofbloomingdale.org/221/Summer-Road-Construction>

If you have any questions regarding this project you may call the Village of Bloomingdale Engineering Department at 630-671-5676.

Village Street Sweeping Begins in April

Roads will be swept at least once a month from April to September. During the months of October and November when the leaves are falling; all roads will be swept twice a month. Street sweeping of main roads will be first priority; this includes Bloomingdale Rd., Schick Rd., Springfield Dr., Glen Ellyn Rd., Edgewater Dr., Army Trail Rd., Lake St., and Gary Ave. Once main roads are finished, curbed residential roads will be completed. Streets without curbs will not be included in routine street sweeping operations.

It is the responsibility of residents to keep their neighborhood streets free of excessive yard waste and other debris. Bloomingdale does not provide street sweeping of leaves left in gutters. Residents are not to sweep/blow/rake their leaves to the gutter with the expectation of the sweeper collecting them. Leaving yard waste and other debris in the street can clog the storm water system during heavy rains and cause flooding problems and possibly damage homes in the neighborhood.

The street sweeper operator will not pick up piles of leaves placed in the street. If this occurs, Public Works will leave a notice on the resident's door to remove leaves/debris from roadway. Leaves must be bagged and placed at the curb for landscape pick-up by the refuse hauler. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Public Works – Street Maintenance Department 630-671-5800.



Village Paint & Recycling Event

Saturday, May 6th,

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Bloomingdale Public Works Facility
305 Glen Ellyn Road, Bloomingdale

This event is restricted to Village of Bloomingdale residents only, IDs will be checked. (Paint and paperwork from businesses will not be accepted.)

The following items will be collected at this event:

- Paper for Shredding
- Eyeglasses for Lions Club
- Used Cell Phones for Soldiers
- Christmas Lights and Artificial Trees
- Hot Water Tanks
- Refrigerators, Washing Machines, Dryers, Ovens
- Extension Cords
- Liquid Paint in Cans or Containers**

**Paint Collection Restrictions: Paint must be liquid and held in cans or containers that do not exceed five (5) gallons. Latex, acrylic, and water-based paints will be accepted. Containers must be closed and sealed with a hand-written or product label.

Items **NOT ACCEPTED** at event

- Paint Thinners & Paint Remover
- Wood Varnish and Stain
- Cleaners
- Spray Paint or Paint Mixed with Other Chemicals
- Unlabeled Containers
- Adhesives, Caulk, Roofing Compounds, Driveway Sealer
- Spackle, Sheetrock, or Joint Compounds
- Any Other Chemicals, Products, or Waste other than Paints

For questions or to schedule a collection, please call SBC at (312) 522-1115 or email residential@sbcwastesolutions.com

Stickers available at many local merchants 2023 Yardwaste Collection Begins In April

It's Garage Sale Season!

No cost or permit is 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 & can only take place between 9 AM and 6 PM.

For information on requirements relative to garage sale signs, including size & placement restrictions, call the Police Dept at 630-529-9868.

Upcoming Garage Sales

Bloomfield Hills

North side of west Schick
May 4-6, 2023; 9 AM – 4 PM

Bloomfield Club

South side of west Schick
May 19; 9 AM to 4 PM
Sept. 15 & 16; 9 AM to 4 PM

Chateau Lorraine

North of Schick and west of
Bloomingdale Rd.
June 16 and 17; 9 am to 5 pm

Country Club Estates

North of Schick Road and west of
Bloomingdale Road
June 9, 10 & 11; 9 AM to 4 PM

AARP Smart Driver Program

The Bloomingdale Police Department, along with AARP, offers a Smart Driver program designed for drivers age 50+. Classes held noon to 4 pm on May 31 & June 1. \$25 fee for the course (\$20/AARP members.) Contact Sue at 630-671-5858 to register; space is limited.

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 (2023 cost) at the following locations:

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

April 22 Proclaimed Monarch Pledge Day

To raise public awareness of the monarch butterfly decline, Mayor Franco signed a proclamation which was read at March's Village Board Meeting, proclaiming April 22, 2023 as Monarch Pledge Day. Mayors' Monarch Pledge helps communities commit to supporting monarch habitats and educating the community.

Golf Season 2023 at the Bloomingdale Golf Club!

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- Pay an annual fee of \$15.00.

The 2023 "Swing into Spring" Opening Golf Event (10 am shotgun start)

Our annual opening season event is slated for Sunday, April 23rd. This 18-hole event 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 \$90 per player. We ask that you register as a foursome. Please note that this event fills up FAST! For additional information on the event format and registration, visit our website at www.bloomingdalegc.com.

NINE and DINE Golf Events

This year we will be planning to host a handful of these 9 hole couple events on Friday evenings during the season. These social golf events will consist of 9 holes of couple's team golf utilizing different formats of play. Afterwards, we will provide food, drinks, and awards to the winning teams. Dates have not been finalized at this time, so please keep an eye on our website or the village E-News.

Finally, please visit the golf club website at bloomingdalegc.com for golf rates, booking tee times and to view other activities taking place at the golf club.



Check Out Opportunities for Kids at the Golf Club

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 do ask that participant for this course schedule their play later in the afternoon and evening.

"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 \$20 annual registration fee. Once registered, the junior golfer will receive an identification number 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).

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.



Rooftop Cops at Dunkin' on May 19



Bloomingdale Police Officers unite with the Lake Street Dunkin' staff to support the Special Olympics' program & to recognize its athletes. From 5 AM to Noon on Fri, May 19, our officers will take part in a rooftop sit-in, greeting the customers of the Bloomingdale Dunkin' and encouraging donations for Illinois Special Olympics. They will also be selling 2023 Law Enforcement Torch Run t-shirts & other merchandise to raise money & awareness for Special Olympics Illinois Athletes.

The Police Department has 2022 Torch Run items for sale at discounted prices. For more information or to donate to Special Olympics, call Officer Phillip Jaffe at 630-529-9868.

Love Our Vets

Bloomingdale came out in force to support the "Love Our Vets" campaign in February, to help the Bloomingdale VFW Post 7539 collect new household items for

Veterans who are exiting homelessness.



Thank you to all who generously contributed! Donations were delivered to the Jesse Brown VAMC Here Post 7539 vets (l to r) Ed Aubin and Larry Rogers pick up the second set of donations from the Village Hall on March 1st.

Update From O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission

Bloomingtondale Artists Association Programs

Blending & Glazing with Acrylics
Wednesday, 4/12/23 at 6:30 pm
Bloomingtondale Park District
Museum, 108 S. Bloomingtondale Rd

Dale Olsen will demonstrate how he achieves oil-like effects using acrylic paints. He will do a painting demo and will utilize completed paintings to explain his techniques. Dale is intrigued by edges, where water meets land, where snow meets the tree line, where shadows meet sunlight. He seeks to give viewer a sense of peace and majesty, sometimes in a broad landscape or in the petal of a flower.

\$10 visitor fee. The BAA welcomes new members, membership cost for calendar year of September thru May is \$30. Contact Bev at bpetrosius@gmail.com or 630-624-9545 for information.

Bloomingtondale Artists Association 2023 Spring Show & Silent Auction, April 8 – May 6

Bloomingtondale Park District
Museum, 108 S. Bloomingtondale Rd
Weds 5 to 8 pm, Thurs/Sat noon to 4pm.

Original artwork created by members of the Bloomingtondale Artists Association features a diversity of talent & artistic media. Selected works will be offered for sale; negotiation/delivery details handled by the artists.

Silent Auction - view our 8"x10" artwork pieces, place a silent auction bid and take home a unique piece of original artwork! The auction proceeds help fund our 2023 BAA Scholarship. A complimentary reception will be held on Sun, April 16 @ 2 to 4 p.m.

Contact Roberta at robertacencig@yahoo.com or 847-848-3482 for information.

The O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission (ONCC), along with the Chicago Department of Aviation (CDA), oversees a program to improve quality of life for residents living near one of the world's busiest airports by reducing impact of aircraft noise in homes. Initially, sound insulation was installed in single owner-occupied homes. In 2009, insulation work began on multi-unit homes to fulfill the FAA requirement that all eligible residences located within the OMP noise contour are considered for sound insulation.

In September 2005, the Federal Aviation Administration issued a final Environmental Impact Statement that identified a noise contour based on a 65 Day/Night Average Sound Level. The contour, known as the O'Hare Modernization Program Full Build-Out Noise Contour, is the basis for selecting homes eligible for sound insulation. The noise contour map outlines the area surrounding O'Hare International Airport where aviation noise will be 65 decibels or higher, which triggers eligibility for soundproofing assistance.

The map remained the same until recently when the ONCC approved a new contour map, based on future terminal buildout & an environmental review. Trustee Von Huben, the Village's delegate to the ONCC, was present at the meeting and voted "No" to the motion because the data used to create the new map did not consider the noise from the new runway configuration and data collected from the noise monitors that measured the decibel level of planes flying over our community. The vote carried so the new map, whose boundaries have changed, does not include Bloomingtondale, Itasca, & Addison; meaning residents in these communities will not qualify for the insulation program.

The CDA maintains a noise hotline (1-800-435-9569) for citizens to express concern about particular aircraft events or aircraft noise levels in general. For more information, refer to the ONCC website: oharenoise.org

Marker's Market 2023 Season Begins in May

The first Bloomingtondale Maker's Market of the season will be May 28; be sure to mark your calendars! Held in the parking lot of Old Town Bloomingtondale directly across from the Bloomingtondale Post Office, the market is open from 10 AM to 2 PM, rain or shine. The market features local vendors (home decor, jewelry, blankets, clothes & more), food trucks and live music.

For more information, visit the Bloomingtondale Makers Market Facebook page or email info@bloomingtondalemakersmarket.com.

Lions Hosting Easter Egg Hunt, Steak Fry

Easter Egg Hunt April 9: The Bloomingtondale Lions Club and Bloomingtondale Park District will be hosting the annual Bunny Bash and Easter Egg Hunt at Circle Park. Participants can enjoy many fun family activities at this free event. **The Lions Club Egg Hunt (Circle Park) & Eggceptional Easter Egg Hunt (JRC lot) begin promptly at 9:30AM & Bunny Bash immediately follows.** The Eggceptional Egg Hunt is designed specifically for children & young adults with disabilities, and wheelchair accessible.

Steak Fry: The Lions Club is happy to announce that its Steak Fry will be held on May 6; menu will include grilled steak, potato, salad & more. Winner's names will be drawn from their "We Serve" raffle (\$50/ticket), for a \$3,000 grand prize plus additional monetary prize opportunities. Proceeds will support charitable organizations. To purchase a raffle ticket, contact John Argyrakakis of the Lions Club 630-529-7505 or johnargy@att.net.

Hydrant Flushing June 12-June 27

The Public Works department will perform the annual Hydrant Flushing Program beginning June 12, 2023 through June 27, 2023. 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 12**

Westlake Townhomes, College Quad Fours, Harvard Area, Brookdale Estates, Brookdale Estates, Wilshire Towers, Greenway Area, Glen Ellyn Rd. - Deer Glen to Army Trail, Glen Ellyn Rd. – South of Army Trail **Tuesday, June 13**

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 14**

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 15**

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 16**

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 19**

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 20**

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 21**

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 22**

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 23**

Gary Ave. – Schick Rd. to Army Trail Rd., Stratford Plaza, Covington/Brighton Area, Madsen Dr. Area, Gateway Plaza, Old Gary Ave. **Monday, June 26**

Hydrants along Lake St., Schick Rd. (West of Bloomingdale Rd.), Army Trail Rd. **Tuesday, June 27**

Questions? Please contact the Distribution Division at 630-671-5800.



Bloomingdale Garden Club Spring Programs; Flower And Plant Sale

The Annual Flower & Plant Sale will take place on **May 12-13** at the Bloomingdale Park District Maintenance Building, 259 Springfield Drive (North end of Springfield Park) on **May 12th (12 to 6 PM)** and **May 13th (9 AM to 4 PM)**.



They will have 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. Cash, checks and credit cards will be accepted. Proceeds support area charities and garden club monthly programs.

The Annual Flower & Plant Sale Prep Meeting will be on April 18; At 6:15 PM for treats and at 7 PM for the 2023 Annual Flower & Plant Sale preparations.

Activism Through Gardening on May 16:

Jeannie Iseman, Executive Director of Gardenworks Project, will be sharing her passion for gardening and community building. Upon hearing about the Gardenworks Project, Jeannie was fascinated by their vision and mission and joined the board in late 2016. Come learn more about the Gardenworks Project and be inspired by her story.

Bloomingdale Garden Club meets every third Tuesday of the month from 6:15 to 8:00 PM at 118 First Street, Bloomingdale. Programs begin at 7 PM. Visitors are welcome. Visit www.bloomingtongardencub.org for more information or contact bloomingtongardencub@gmail.com.

Kristina's Design Palace

When fashion designer & seamstress Kristina Giedra moved to the United States in 2000, one of her first purchases was a sewing machine with hopes of pursuing her dreams to make beautiful clothes. With a humble beginning she launched her career doing alterations for Marshall Fields, Neiman Marcus, Nordstrom and Von Maur.



Having 30 years of custom design/alterations experience, a successful career and launching her first collection in 2016, Kristina opened her own boutique with professional sewing services. After 13 years of working from her home studio in Bloomingdale, Kristina is proud to invite customers to a new spacious storefront, Kristina's Design Palace at 270 Glen Ellyn Road. With traditions of European tailoring, she specializes in alterations & custom designs. Contact Kristina's Design Palace at (630) 624-7397.

Poke Bros. Coming to Bloomingdale Square

We welcome Poke Bros. to the Bloomingdale Square Shopping Center. With a grand opening on March 21, they opened their doors at 398 W. Army Trail Road. Poke Bros. serves healthy Hawaiian-style poké bowls along an assembly of fresh, wholesome ingredients offering a unique way to build your "sushi in a bowl". Originating in 2015, Poke Bros. has quickly expanded into multiple states across the Midwest and East Coast.



Barnes & Noble Demolition Makes Way for New Cooper's Hawk

Demolition on the former Barnes and Noble building is complete and construction is underway on the new Cooper's Hawk at 200 S. Gary Avenue! The current plan is for a grand opening this summer; just in time to enjoy dinner and a drink on the patio! Cooper's Hawk is an award-winning, upscale casual dining restaurant and winery with a full-service bar, private dining room, tasting room and retail gift store.



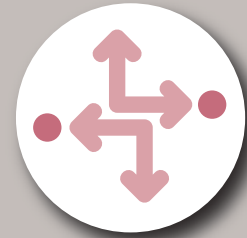
Burlington Now Open

Burlington, the off-price department store retailer, is now open to the public. After a much-awaited relocation from Stratford Mall, the new location opened on Friday, February 24th. The store is situated between TJ Maxx/HomeGoods and Golden Corral at 156 S Gary Avenue.



Xpressive Mocha Skincare

A ribbon cutting for Xpressive Mocha Skincare was held on January 12, 2023. Located at 125 S Bloomingdale Rd, they offer sustainable plant-based skin care products and services for men & women.



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 -
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Chamber Breakfast Club

Mayor Franco attended the Bloomingdale Chamber Breakfast Club on March 8, where Jeff Miller shared his remarkable,



life-changing experience. On July 19th, 1989 Jeff was onboard United Airlines' flight 232, a DC-10 with 296 people, that was forced to make an emergency landing when its rear engine exploded. The plane cartwheeled, broke into pieces, and burst into flames. Although 112 lost their lives, Jeff unbuckled from his seat and walked away from the burning wreckage without a scratch.

Jeff is the owner of a full-service sign and digital graphics company in Schaumburg, Divine Signs and Graphics, for which the company has been named after that event.

Jeff is pictured with Mayor Franco and Chamber President Cindy Allston.

Bloomingtondale Fire Protection District #1



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Clothes Dryer Safety

Doing laundry is most likely part of your every day routine. But did you know how important taking care of your clothes dryer is to the safety of your home? With a few simple safety tips you can help prevent a clothes dryer fire.

- Have your dryer installed and serviced by a professional.
- Do not use the dryer without a lint filter.
- Make sure you clean the lint filter before or after each load of laundry. Remove lint that has collected around the drum.
- Rigid or flexible metal venting material should be used to sustain proper air flow and drying time.
- Make sure the air exhaust vent pipe is not restricted and the outdoor vent flap will open when the dryer is operating. Once a year, or more often if you notice that it is taking longer than normal for your clothes to dry, clean lint out of the vent pipe or have a dryer lint removal service do it for you.
- Keep dryers in good working order. Gas dryers should be inspected by a qualified professional to make sure that the gas line and connection are intact and free of leaks.
- Make sure the right plug and outlet are used and that the machine is connected properly.
- Follow the manufacturer's operating instructions and don't overload your dryer.
- Turn the dryer off if you leave home or when you go to bed.

AND DON'T FORGET...

Dryers should be properly **grounded**.

Check the **outdoor vent** flap to make sure it is not covered by snow.

Keep the area around your dryer **clear** of things that can burn, like boxes, cleaning supplies and clothing, etc.

Clothes that have come in contact with **flammable substances**, like gasoline, paint thinner, or similar solvents should be laid outside to dry, then can be washed and dried as usual.

FACT

- ! The leading cause of home clothes dryer fires is failure to clean them.



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The leading information and knowledge resource on fire, electrical and related hazards

Tornado Season is Here

Tornado season is generally March through May in Illinois, although tornadoes can and do occur at any time of the year. They tend to occur in the afternoons and evenings with 50% occurring between 3 p.m. and 7 p.m.

When a Tornado Warning is issued, seek the best available area to increase your odds of survival. A certified storm shelter or safe room would be ideal, but not necessarily common. In general, the basement or an interior room on the lowest level of a sturdy building is your best option.



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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 Daylight 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.





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Bloomingdale Church Day Camp June 13-16

Bloomingdale Church welcomes all kids who are entering 1st-6th grade (2023-2024) to a FREE annual Day Camp which runs from 9am-12pm on June 13-16, 2023. It is a four-day in-person camp for kids to kick off the summer, having fun and making new friends. This year's Day Camp theme, Camping in Friendship National Park (all on the five acres of Bloomingdale Church). Kids will enjoy live music, story times, games, and more while learning lessons on how to be a friend to others.



Bloomingdale Church, located at 264 Glen Ellyn Rd, between Army Trail & Lake St has been offering Day Camp as a free service to the community for 44 years.

Spots fill up quickly, so register today at bloomingdalechurch.org/daycamp. Contact church office at (630)-894-0090 or email children@bloomingdalechurch.org with any questions.

Mark Your Calendar for These Upcoming Chamber Events

The State of the Village Luncheon is April 26th will be held at 11:30AM at the Bloomingdale Golf Club (181 Glen Ellyn Rd.)

Join Mayor Franco Coladepedrio as he brings you up to date on the news in the community. Register at www.BloomingdaleChamber.com/Events. Registration is \$30.



Scholarship Luncheon Fundraiser on May 10, 2023 at Texas Roadhouse, 161 Gary Ave. General Public is encouraged to support this event to help local students; 100% of the money raised during this lunch goes to support Scholarships. Contest@BloomingdaleChamber.com.



WellnessFusion: A Celebration of Mind and Body to be held on Saturday, May 20 at Stratford Crossing Shopping Center, 142 S Gary Ave, from 11:00 am – 5:00pm, 5:00-7:00 live music. This festival will feature vendors from various fitness studios, gyms, dance studios, nutrition, psychologists, and therapists, all coming together to promote wellness and healthy living. The event will also feature live music and a marketplace with wellness products & services. Attendees will be able to enjoy interactive booths to try out different fitness classes such as yoga, dance, and Pilates as well as hear talks on mental health and self-care. WellnessFusion will be a fun and engaging family event that will inspire and empower participants to take charge of their health and well-being.

Mahan Family Wines Exciting News

Save the date for Mahan Family Wines Amateur Winemaker's competition on Saturday, November 11th, 2023. They are "calling all hobby winemakers" to enter their People's Choice competition to be held as part of Beaujolais Nouveau Day, their annual wine celebration held at Alcentro Trattoria in Old Town Bloomingdale. The winning People's Choice Winemaker will then be entered into an International Amateur Competition of over 2500 entries!



If you are interested in participating in the Mahan Family Wines amateur winemaker's competition, or to make a reservation at their Speakeasy-inspired Wine Bar in Bloomingdale and view upcoming events, go to MahanFamilyWines.com



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April
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- ☆ 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 ☆

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).
Thank you to Keith's Komix (528 S. Roselle Road, Schaumburg, IL 60193) for the support!

for all ages

Free Comic Book Day (Drop-In)

Saturday, May 6 | 12:00-3:00 p.m.

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 9 in observance of Easter

Sundays for summer beginning May 28

Monday, May 29 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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📅 The Art of John Singer Sargent

Monday, April 10 | 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Zoom Webinar

Art historian Jeff Mishur discusses highlights of John Singer Sargent's career as a portraitist, muralist, and plein air painter.



📅 The Sound of Music: The Story Behind the Story

Monday, April 17 | 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Zoom Webinar

Enjoy fascinating behind-the-scenes stories, historical insights, and wonderful moments that will make people fall in love with this movie all over again. Presented by film expert Steven Frenzel.

📅 The History of Simon & Garfunkel

Monday, April 24 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

In-Person

Often considered the “thinking person’s rock ‘n’ rollers,” Simon & Garfunkel were also one of the most successful musical acts of the 1960’s. Using audio and visual content, pop music expert Gary Wenstrup will trace the arc of Simon & Garfunkel’s career.



📅 Feelin' Groovy with Heather Braoudakis

Tuesday, April 25 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

In-Person

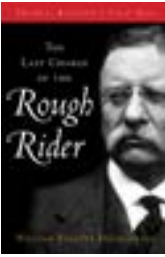
Chicago Symphony Chorus Singer Heather Braoudakis will be singing hits from your favorite artists of the 1960s including Burt Bacharach, the Mamas and the Papas, the 5th Dimension, Simon & Garfunkel, and many more!

📅 The Last Charge of the Rough Rider: Theodore Roosevelt's Final Days

Tuesday, May 2 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Zoom Webinar AND In-Person

Join us for an evening with local author William Hazelgrove, here to discuss his latest narrative nonfiction book on Teddy Roosevelt's Rough Riders and their desire to charge the Germans in World War I. Books will be available for purchase and signed by the author.



📅 Wallis Simpson: Duchess with Style

Monday, May 8 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

In-Person

Historical reenactor Lynn Rymarz presents the story of how Edward VIII gave up the throne to marry this American divorcee. Discover the details of their courtship, marriage, royal family fallout, and how she made a happy home for the former King of England.



📅 William and Jane Morris: The Arts & Crafts Movement

Monday, May 15 | 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Zoom Webinar

Art historian Jeff Mishur discusses the Arts and Crafts movement with works from William and Jane Morris and their colleagues, including paintings, furniture, stained glass, textiles, and decorative arts.



📅 Frozen in Time

Monday, May 22 | 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Zoom Webinar

In 2018, the most intact 19th century schooner in the world was found hiding under 300 feet of icy Lake Michigan water. Award winning diver and photographer Cal Kothrade presents the true story of the *W.C. Kimball* shipwreck with video and photos, which help weave a tale of loss and mystery.



📅 Maximizing Your Social Security Benefits

Tuesday, May 30 | 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Zoom Webinar

Learn the crucial details of filing for Social Security and walk away with a clear understanding on how best to leverage it as financial tool in your own life. Presented by financial advisors from Raymond James.

bpl makerspace crafts

Learn how to use the library's Makerspace equipment to make creative projects. Computer experience is required.

Registration Information: 4 per session, ages 12 to adult, BPL card required. **Please sign up for one session only**

📅 Gift Tags

Registration opens April 1 at 9:00 a.m.

Register for one session:

Thursday, April 20 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 25 | 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.



📅 Handmade Paper Flower Card

Registration opens April 1 at 9:00 a.m.

Register for one session:

Monday, May 1 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Monday, May 8 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

ONGOING ADULT PROGRAMS

Genealogy Club (Drop-In)

Wednesdays, April 19 & May 17 | 6:30 – 8:45 p.m.

Great Decisions

Wednesdays, April 19 & May 17 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

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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 Unexpected Spy: From the CIA to the FBI, My Secret Life Taking Down Some of the World's Most Notorious Terrorists
by Tracy Walder

Tuesday, April 4 | 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.



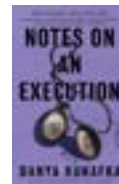
The Taking of Jemima Boone: The True Story of the Kidnap and Rescue that Shaped America
by Matthew Pearl

Tuesday, May 2 | 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.



MONDAY NIGHT PAGE TURNERS

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



Notes on an Execution
by Danya Kukafka

Monday, April 17 | 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Other Birds

by Sarah Addison Allen

Monday, May 15 | 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.



Join BPL on **Goodreads!** Get reading suggestions and book reviews shared by library staff and Board. www.goodreads.com/mybpl



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.



Ticket to Paradise

Wednesday, April 12 | 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

A divorced couple teams up and travels to Bali to stop their daughter from making the same mistake they think they made 25 years ago. *Rated PG-13*



The Good House

Wednesday, May 10 | 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Life for New England realtor Hildy Good begins to unravel when she hooks up with an old flame of hers from New York. Based on the book by Ann Leary. *Rated R*



The Apartment

Wednesday, April 26 | 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

A Manhattan insurance clerk tries to rise in his company by letting its executives use his apartment for trysts, but complications and a romance of his own ensue. Winner of five 1960 Academy Awards! *Rated PG*




Angry Neighbors

Wednesday, May 24 | 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

A grumpy novelist vows revenge when his wealthy neighbor builds a hideous mega-mansion next door. *Rated R*

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. Virtual classes are noted with  and will be posted on our [YouTube channel](#).

GETTING STARTED series

In these friendly introductory classes for all ages, we'll give you lots of guided hands-on practice and time to ask questions. These classes are all in-person at BPL.

Getting Started: Computer Basics

Wednesday, April 12 | 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.
Instructor: Sean

Get an introduction to computer topics intended for absolute beginners.

Getting Started: Internet Use & Safety

Wednesday, April 19 | 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.
Instructor: Sean

Join our discussion about browsing the web, how the cloud works, how to avoid viruses, and using email.

Getting Started: Smartphones

Wednesday, April 26 | 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.
Instructor: Salvador

Learn how to install and use apps, edit settings, and take advantage of the basic features of Apple or Android phones.

Getting Started: PDFs

Thursday, May 4 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Charlie

Computer users encounter PDF files when browsing the web, filling out forms, preparing documents, and downloading a wide variety of items. Learn to create, convert, and merge PDFs as well as the basics of editing.

Getting Started: Windows

Wednesday, May 10 | 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.
Instructor: Charlie

Get a basic understanding of how to use Windows, including using the desktop, settings, manipulating windows, understanding files, and installing new programs.

Getting Started: Your Files

Wednesday, May 17 | 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.
Instructor: Sean

Every time a picture is taken, a letter is written, or a song is purchased on your computer a file goes somewhere. Learn all about where these files are and how to find them, as well as how to copy, delete, and restore them.

DIGITAL DESIGN

Designing Web Pages With HTML

Monday, April 17 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Sean

Create basic web pages using HTML code. We will cover basic topics like inserting text, links, pictures, and background colors, as well as more advanced design topics, as time allows. While the library does not provide an internet location for students to post their web page, they will learn the skills required to develop one. Internet experience is recommended.

Intro to Cricut Design Space

Thursday, April 20 | 7:00 p.m.
Instructor: Charlie

Get started using Cricut Design Space, the free design software used with the Cricut Maker cutting machine in our Makerspace! The Cricut Maker can cut designs in paper, vinyl, fabric, and more.

Creating a Website

Monday, April 24 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Sean

Learn how to acquire web space online, transfer files to the Internet, combine web pages into a more efficient and understandable website, and review other advanced HTML techniques.

Create Music With Garageband

Thursday, May 18 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Salvador

Learn to digitize, edit, and share your music using Garageband software.

Smartphone Video Recording, Editing, & Sharing

Monday, May 22 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Sean

Want to crop, connect, edit audio, and sharpen up your videos before posting them on social media or sharing them with friends and family? Students will learn how to use Android and iPhone apps for easy video editing.



Master MICROSOFT EXCEL

Useful Excel Shortcuts

Monday, May 1 | 7:00 p.m.
Instructor: Sean

Simplify everyday Excel tasks by learning shortcut keys, ribbon tools, and other tricks.

Excel Formulas

Monday, May 15 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Sean

Create and edit dynamic formulas using tools like logical (IF) functions, arrays, conditional formatting, data validation, and more.

Excel Data Entry Forms

Thursday, May 25 | 7:00 p.m.
Instructor: Sean

Learn to create data entry forms in Excel. Downloadable examples will be provided on www.mybpl.org/computerclass for students who wish to work along with the video.

Teen Programs

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

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 Crafts @ BPL



Perler Bead Club (Drop-In)

Wednesdays, April 19 & May 17
6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Join us each month in the Makerspace and choose from tons of different patterns to create a fun and colorful work of art using Perler beads.

Game Night (Drop-In)

Thursdays, April 27 & May 25
6:00 – 8:30 p.m.

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!



Take & Make Crafts

You will be contacted by email when your craft kit is ready to be picked up

📅 Bath Bombs

Registration begins Monday, March 20
Limit 12 teens

Kit pickup begins Monday, April 3
Pick up a kit to create sweet-smelling and relaxing bath bombs.



In-Person

📅 Pressed Flower Lantern

Wednesday, April 5 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Celebrate spring by making a beautiful lantern using dried flowers and Mod Podge.
Limit 10



📅 Emoji Keychain

Wednesday, April 12 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Come to the library to craft a cute emoji keychain. No sewing necessary! Limit 10

📅 Candy Kabobs

Wednesday, May 10 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Choose from a variety of different candies to make a colorful and sweet kebab creation!



📅 Steampunk Monogram

Wednesday, May 31 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Make an edgy steampunk monogram to decorate your space. Limit 10

📅 Clay Charms

Registration begins Monday, April 10
Limit 12 teens

Kit pickup begins Monday, May 1
Pick up your kit to create a customized clay charm bracelet.

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Fighting with My Family (PG-13)

Wednesday, April 26 | 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.



17 Again (PG-13)

Wednesday, May 24 | 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

17 AGAIN



Teen Book Reviews & Book'd Bags

Love to read and looking to earn some service hours? Be sure to submit a book review and sign up for a Book'd Bag!

Check out the details here: mybpl.org/teenbookreviews AND mybpl.org/teenbookbags

Youth Programs

Registration required for some youth programs (noted with 📅). Registration for April programs begins Monday, March 20 at 9:00 a.m. Registration for May programs begins Monday, April 24 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.

School Age Programs

📅 Makerspace Club: STEM Time

Grades 3-6

Thursdays, April 13 & May 11 | 4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Come get some hands-on time at Makerspace Club! In April, we will be making spring squishy dough circuits. In May, we will make a clay flower pot.



Crochet Along with Miss Carol (Virtual)

Grades 3-8

YouTube video post on April 15

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 found on the library website. New projects will be posted quarterly. April – Slippers

📅 Art Ambush

Grades 3-6

Monday, April 17 | 4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Craft small and sneaky crafts to hide in plain sight. See how fast your friends and family spot your creative surprises!

📅 Three Little Pigs STEM

Grades K-2

Tuesday, April 18 | 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

Can you build a house made of straw, sticks, or bricks that won't blow down? Learn which materials are strongest when faced with some serious huffing and puffing.

Middle Grade Makers (Drop-In)

Grades 4-8

Thursdays, April 20 & May 18 | 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Explore our new Makerspace as we create all sorts of fun and useful items like keychains, coasters, custom buttons, or jewelry. Crafts will take anywhere from 15 minutes to an hour—drop by and see what's new each month!

📅 Earth Balancers

Grades 4-6

Tuesday, April 25
4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

A STEM activity to get the brain active while we celebrate and learn about Earth Day!



📅 Jedi Academy

Grades K-2

Thursday, May 4 | 4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Celebrate May the 4th with a Star Wars-themed storytime and crafts that highlight a galaxy far, far away.



📅 Mother's Day Gift

Grades K-2

Tuesday, May 9 | 4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Create a pretty bead flower bouquet and card for Mom!

📅 Mother's Day DIY Spa Craft

Grades 3-6

Wednesday, May 10 | 4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Join us in the Makerspace to create a DIY spa gift to give to a special lady in your life for Mother's Day.



I LOVE YOU
MOM

Friendship Bracelets (Drop-In)

Grades 3-6

Monday, May 15 | 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Each participant will get enough material to make 2 bracelets, one for you and one for your BFF.

LEGO® Club (Drop-In)

Grades 1-6

Tuesday, May 16 | 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Design and build with the library's LEGO® supply to complete the challenges!

📅 DIY Stress Relief Jars

Grades 3-6

Monday, May 22 | 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Big tests are coming up, so unwind with stress relief jars!

We're getting ready for

SUMMER READING!

Details coming soon.



Youth Programs

Registration required for some youth programs (noted with 📅). Registration for April programs begins Monday, March 20 at 9:00 a.m. Registration for May programs begins Monday, April 24 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.

Preschool Programs

Come Together (Drop-In)

Ages 0-24 months
Wednesdays | 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Every Wednesday, meet and chat with other parents & caregivers while your child socializes and explores with hands-on toys. Will be offered simultaneously with Baby Tales and Tunes when in session. There will be no Come Together on March 29.

📅 The Very Busy Spider

Ages 3-5
Tuesday, April 11 | 1:30 – 2:15 p.m.

Spiders are very busy and so are preschoolers! Join us for this action-packed program, based off the book *The Very Busy Spider* by Eric Carle.

📅 Playing with STEM

Ages 2-5
Tuesdays, April 25 & May 23
10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) are important learning areas for kids of all ages. Each program will have different stations for kids to explore.

April - magnets May - air and wind

📅 Happy Books, Happy Cooks

Ages 3-5
Thursdays, April 27 & May 25 | 6:00 – 6:30 p.m.

A storytime for all the budding chefs! Read a food-filled story and create a tasty treat.

📅 Let's Build Together!

Ages 18 mos-3 years with caregiver
Sunday, April 30 | 1:30 – 2:15 p.m.

Enjoy a building-themed storytime and then build a tower with blocks made from repurposed household items.

Baby, Let's Make Music (Drop-In)

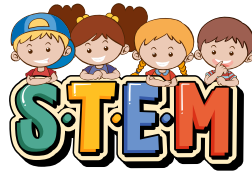
Ages 0-24 months
Wednesdays, May 3 & May 17 | 10:00 – 10:30 a.m.

Join us for a parade of fun! We will explore the world of music and movement using an array of instruments, flannel stories, rhymes, and songs.

Preschool Process Art (Drop-In)

Ages 2-5
Saturday, May 20 | 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Come create an art project especially made for preschoolers.



Programs for All Ages

April Scavenger Hunt (Drop-In)

All ages
April 1 – 30

Come down to the Youth Services department to hunt for colorful eggs. Find them all and receive a prize!



📅 Family Game Night

Families
Thursday, April 6 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Bring the whole family to the library for a night of fun and giant board games! Play life-size versions of Checkers, Connect 4, Twister, and more!

Craft Time (Drop-In)

Families
Fridays, April 7 & May 12

Come make a seasonal craft. While supplies last.



📅 Peeps® Family Challenge

Families
Saturday, April 8 | 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Come as a family to create a scene from a favorite children's book with Peeps®. Peeps and some craft materials provided. Families are welcome to bring some of their own supplies too. Finished scenes will be displayed at BPL.

📅 Fly Away Butterflies

Families
Wednesday, May 31 | 4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Have you ever seen a caterpillar change into a butterfly? Starting on May 12, we will have caterpillars at the library for everyone to watch. After they change to butterflies, we will celebrate at the library as we watch the butterflies fly away!



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).
Thank you to Keith's Komix (528 S. Roselle Road, Schaumburg, IL 60193) for the support!

(Drop-In)
Saturday, May 6 | 12:00-3:00 p.m.

It's Storytime!

The Youth Services department provides age-appropriate interactive fun with stories, sign language, music, and more. Storytimes are drop-in (no registration necessary) and limited to the first 20 children to arrive.

Spring Session: March 6 through April 21 (no storytimes the week of March 27-31)

Preschool Storytime

Ages 3-5
Mondays, 1:30 – 2:00 p.m.

Toddler Storytime

Ages 2-3 with caregiver
Thursdays, 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Family Storytime

All ages with caregiver
Fridays, 10:30 – 11:15 a.m.



Baby Tales & Tunes

Ages 0-24 months with caregiver
Wednesdays, 10:00 – 10:20 a.m. OR 10:50 – 11:10 a.m.

Introduce your baby to the world of music, movement, rhymes, and books that will aid in the development of early literacy skills.

Come Together (Drop-In)

Ages 0-24 months
Wednesdays, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Every Wednesday, meet and chat with other parents & caregivers while your child socializes and explores with hands-on toys.

Will be offered simultaneously with Baby Tales and Tunes when in session. There will be no Come Together on March 29.

Spring Into Reading! (Drop-in)

Families

Wednesdays, April 12 & 26 | 6:00 – 6:45 p.m.

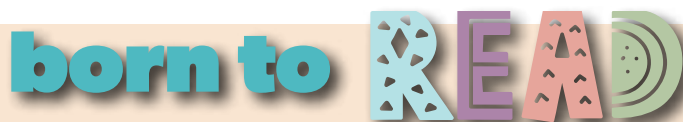
The days are getting longer! Let's wind down together with stories and crafts in a variety of springtime themes.



**1000
BOOKS
BEFORE KINDERGARTEN**

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.

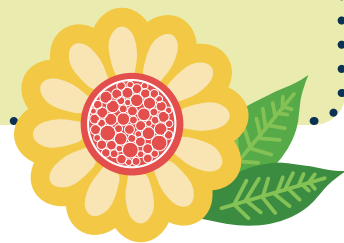
Contact the Youth Services desk for more information by calling (630) 924-2740 or emailing bdys@mybpl.org.



Did you know that reading to your child is one of the most powerful ways to boost their brain power?

Join our **Born to Read** program and receive tips and support to begin your child's journey into the world of reading.

Sign up at the Youth Services desk to receive a gift for your new baby and discover all of the resources BPL has to offer you and your little one.



volunTEENS

Are you a student going into grades 7-12 in Fall 2023? 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 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 1 – May 14.

The Oasis Water Park

170 S. Circle Ave., Bloomington

The Oasis opens June 3!

Hours

Weekends - Sat/Sun (June 3-August 13)

*11:30AM-6PM

Weekdays (June 9-August 11)

**11:30AM-7PM* (M-Th)

**11:30AM-6PM* (F)

**The Oasis opens at 11AM to passholders.

(630) 339-3568

Daily Admission Rates

	R/NR	Twilight Rate (after 5pm)
Tot (2 & under)	Free	Free
Child (3-15)	\$6/\$8	\$3/\$4
Adult (16-61)	\$8/\$10	\$4/\$5
Senior (62+)	\$6/\$8	\$3/\$4

General Information

- Everyone entering the facility must pay the admission fee or have a season pass.
- Children 8 and younger must be accompanied by a responsible individual (paid admission or passholder) 16 years or older for Oasis entry.
- Complete Oasis rules are posted at the facility. All swimmers are expected to abide by the established rules and guidelines.

Private rentals at The Oasis

Whether it's a birthday, graduation, office party or family reunion, we have the solution for you! The Oasis is available for private rental Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings starting at 6pm. All rentals include use of the concession tables and deck space.

Number of Guests:	0-100 R/NR	101-200 R/NR
Entire Facility <small>(includes all slides)</small>	\$360/\$400	\$410/\$450
Mango Bay	\$100/\$140	\$120/\$160
'Cuda Cove	\$135/\$175	\$155/\$195
Adventure Island	\$70/\$90	\$80/\$100
Add On Options:		
Water Slides <small>(in Mango Bay)</small>	\$50/\$70	\$50/\$70
Drop Slide/Climbing Wall <small>(in 'Cuda Cove)</small>	\$50/\$70	\$50/\$70
Adventure Island	\$40/\$60	\$40/\$60

***FEES ARE PER HOUR**

***Passholders receive a 10% discount on private rentals and parties.**

Reservations begin April 18. Contact oasisparties@bloomingtonparks.org or visit www.bloomingtonparks.org for more information. Make your reservation early as dates fill quickly!



2023 Season Passes

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

Birthday Parties at The Oasis Oasis Party

- Unlimited swimming at The Oasis for the day
- Includes up to 12 guests, including birthday child and their family
- Additional guests are \$5 each
- Food option of pizza or hot dogs
- Beverage choices of juice box or bottled water
- Paper products (plates, cups, napkins, utensils, and tablecloths) included
- T-shirt for the birthday child
- Two-week advance booking required

Birthday Party Fees:

- Passholder: \$265
- Resident (non-passholder): \$295
- Non-Resident (non-passholder): \$315

Reservations begin April 18. Contact oasisparties@bloomingtonparks.org or visit www.bloomingtonparks.org for more information. Make your reservation early as dates fill quickly!

Oasis Swim Lessons Starfish Swim School

General Information

The Oasis offers a complete swim lesson curriculum that encourages students to succeed and develop skills. Swim lessons teach participants how to be safe in and around the water while providing fun and fitness. Lessons are available for ages 12 months - adult. Check out bloomingtonparks.org for complete information.



Bloomington Barracuda Swim & Dive Team

Registration Dates: April 26, 6-9PM

April 29, 9AM-12PM

- Competitive program for children 5-18 years old
- Promotes a healthy lifestyle
- Skill development
- Fitness
- Friendly competition
- Teamwork
- Fun!
- Children must be able to swim the length of the pool to participate on the team
- Member of the DuPage Swim and Dive Conference

In-person registration will be held at the Johnston Recreation Center.



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CLUE

Lakeview Park

Do you have what it takes to solve a mystery? Do you love the game of Clue? This active and outdoor family friendly game will put your detective skills to use as you find the hidden clues around Lakeview Park. Do you think you would be a good enough detective to figure out who did it, where they did it and with what? Walking, biking, or running are required for this event. Families will be given a Clue Pack with clues and hints to get started and help solve the mystery. Registration is required for this event, register one family member only. Registered families will be contacted after May 17 with the mystery details.

Participating families who solve the mystery will be entered into a raffle for a variety of Clue board games and an Oasis Water Park season pass.

Dates: May 22-28

Code: 404609-A1

Ages: Families

Fee: \$5R/\$10NR per family

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
- Cable crossover machine

Membership

Enrollment Fee \$25

Annual membership (Adult & Youth Age 14-15)
 Child must always be accompanied by an adult member
 \$145 Resident \$185 Non-Resident

Monthly membership (Adult & Youth Age 14-15)
 Child must always be accompanied by an adult member
 \$15 Resident \$19 Non-Resident

Student Memberships
3 Month Summer + FREE 1 Month Winter Break
 \$45 Resident \$57 Non-Resident

1 Month Winter Break
 \$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 (Adult Only)
 \$5 Resident \$7 Non-Resident

Corporate/Business Employee Membership
 contact Amber, amber@bloomingtondaleparks.org.

SilverSneakers & Prime Membership
 FREE for SilverSneakers & Prime Participants

NEW!

Youth (age 14 & 15) memberships available with a member parent.

Group Exercise

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

B-Fit Hours*

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

Holiday Hours*

Easter Closed
 Memorial Day Closed

*Hours subject to change. The B-Fit Center may close 30 minutes before the scheduled closing time if no one is working out.



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 at the Bloomington Park District. For more information regarding either program, please visit www.tivityhealth.com.

Free Visit to the B-Fit Fitness Center

Bring this coupon in to the B-Fit Center at 172 S. Circle Ave, Bloomington, IL 60108 for one FREE WORKOUT!

Valid for new guests only. Age 16 and up.



Summer Concert Series **FREE!**

Start June 6, 7PM
Old Town Park



Movie in the Park **FREE!**

Friday, June 9
Circle Park

Enjoy an outdoor family friendly movie for a night out under the stars. Bring a chair, blanket, some snacks and don't forget the family. Two movies are planned this year. The next Movie in the Park is August 11.

Movies will start at approximately at 8:45pm (at dusk). Bathrooms will be available at the location. No smoking and no alcohol allowed on park properties.

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June Movie



Summer Day Camp

All your favorites are back for summer 2023. Cat Tails, Mouse Hole, Lion's Den, Camp Champion, and Top Dog Adventure Camp return to Bloomington for an action packed, non-stop summer of fun. Featuring camper favorites, including; field trips, swimming at the Oasis, on-site entertainment, and theme days! Registration begins April 19. Visit Bloomingtonparks.org for complete information.



Bloomington Park District Museum

BLOOMINGDALE ARTISTS ASSOCIATION SPRING SHOW & SCHOLARSHIP AUCTION

April 8 - May 6

Opening Reception: April 16, 2-4PM

BAA presents a multi-media array of styles and subjects for your viewing pleasure and for purchase. They will also have small pieces for silent auction to provide a scholarship for a high school student interested in pursuing art.

fotoMuses PRESENT "VISIONS"

April 8 - May 6

Opening Reception: April 16, 2-4PM

The fotoMuses photography group inspires you with their "Visions"-- unusual and creative photographic images by thirteen women from the Chicago area. Most works will be available for purchase.



BAA Members pictured with the 2022 Scholarship Winner, Allison Rivera

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

Museum Hours During Exhibits

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