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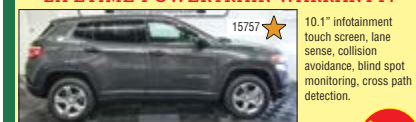
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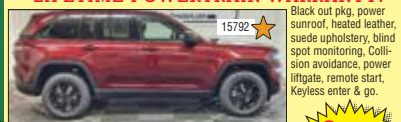
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<p>2023 GMC ACADIA DENALI AWD P6714</p> <p>LIFETIME POWERTRAIN WARRANTY! Drivers & passenger power heated & ventilated leather upholstery, memory drivers seat, 3 rows of seating, power lift & telescoping steering wheel, Bose premium sound with 8" display, Apple CarPlay, Forward Collision alert, adaptive cruise, blind spot/cross traffic alert, LED headlamps, 20" wheels. Now Just \$38,991 \$588 Per Month</p>	<p>2023 RAM 1500 CREW CAB 4X4 BIG HORN P6715</p> <p>LIFETIME POWERTRAIN WARRANTY! Sport Pkg, 20" wheels, 5.7L Hemi V-8, power seat, heated front bucket seats, heated steering wheel, remote start, 8.4" touch screen, Apple CarPlay, 9 Alpine speakers, front & rear park assist, trailer brake controller, tow package. Now Just \$42,991 \$446 Per Month</p>	<p>2023 JEEP CHEROKEE ALTITUDE LATITUDE LUX 4X4 P6708</p> <p>LIFETIME POWERTRAIN WARRANTY! Dual power heated leather bucket seats, heated steering wheel, power lift gate, remote start, dual climate control, lane sense, blind spot monitoring, adaptive cruise control with stop, rain sense wipers, 8.4" touch screen with Navigation, Apple Car Play, factory warranty! Now Just \$23,981 \$372 Per Month</p>	<p>2022 BUICK ENCORE GX ESSENCE AWD P6640</p> <p>LIFETIME POWERTRAIN WARRANTY! Only 24K miles, has heads-up display, HD surround vision camera, power moonroof, adaptive cruise control, lane sense, driver & passenger power heated leather buckets, hands-free power liftgate, automatic Parking assist. Now Just \$22,991 \$352 Per Month</p>	<p>2021 DODGE CHALLENGER SXT P6651</p> <p>303hp 3.6L V-6 engine, 8spd automatic transmission, blind spot and rear cross path detection, rear park assist, HID headlamps, fog lamps, 7" infotainment system with Apple Carplay and Android auto, rear spoiler, aluminum wheels, warranty! Now Just \$19,997 \$808 Per Month</p>	<p>2022 JEEP CHEROKEE LIMITED 4X4 P6716</p> <p>LIFETIME POWERTRAIN WARRANTY! 3.2L V-6 eng, panoramic sunroof, power lift gate, dual power heated front bucket seats, heated steering wheel, dual zone climate control, 8.4" touch screen with Apple CarPlay, adaptive cruise control, blind spot monitoring, lane keep, remote start Now Just \$27,476 \$414 Per Month</p>
<p>2022 CHEVY COLORADO LT EXTENDED CAB P6712</p> <p>Power seat, remote keyless entry, 8" touch screen with Apple Car Play, streaming Bluetooth, rear back up camera, automatic emergency braking, lane departure warning, rear park assist, aluminum wheels, warranty! Now Just \$17,991 \$273 Per Month</p>	<p>2022 RAM 1500 CREW CAB BIG HORN 4X4 P6711</p> <p>Front bucket Seats, power seat, power pedals, remote start, front and rear park assist, 8.4" touch screen with Apple Car Play, power slider rear window, blind spot monitoring, tow package, bed liner, warranty! Now Just \$27,991 \$421 Per Month</p>	<p>2021 GMC ACADIA SLE AWD P6671</p> <p>Heated power front cloth seating, second row bucket seats, third row seating, power liftgate, remote start, 3.6L V-6 engine, 8" touch screen, Apple car play, blind spot, rear cross traffic, automatic emergency braking, rear park assist, LED headlamps, warranty Now Just \$25,991 \$392 Per Month</p>	<p>2020 GMC SIERRA 1500 DENALI 4X4 P6680</p> <p>22" wheels, sunroof, heads up display, forward collision alert, lane keep assist, 6.2L V-8, 10 speed automatic, premium Bose sound sys, w/usb/wireless, dual power heated & ventilated front bucket seats, drivers memory, Multipro tailgate, prograde trailer system, blind spot, lane alert, spray in bedliner, warranty. Now Just \$36,476 \$548 Per Month</p>	<p>2023 HYUNDAI KONA SEL AWD P6681</p> <p>LIFETIME POWERTRAIN WARRANTY! Power seat, 8" touch screen, Apple Car Play, satellite radio, proximity key with push button start, forward collision avoidance, blind spot monitoring, rear cross traffic detection, lane follow assist. Now Just \$20,319 \$809 Per Month</p>	<p>2021 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE ALTITUDE EDITION P6678</p> <p>LIFETIME POWERTRAIN WARRANTY! 3 rows of seating, 4 front buckets, rear bench, power heated front bucket Seat, remote start, heated steering wheel, 3 zone climate, Blind spot, adaptive cruise, power lift gate, 20" wheels. Now Just \$30,491 \$462 Per Month</p>
<p>2021 HYUNDAI PALISADE SEL AWD P6662</p> <p>3 rows of seating, heated front bucket seats and heated steering wheel, front and rear air/heat, lane sense, rear park assist, warranty! Now Just \$26,491 \$399 Per Month</p>	<p>2022 RAM 1500 WARLOCK QUAD CAB 4X4 P6704</p> <p>Black out package for grille, wheels, bumpers and badging, remote start, dual climate control, Uconnect 5 with 8.4" touch screen, wireless Apple Carplay, anti-spin rear axle, rear park assist, warranty. Now Just \$28,491 \$428 Per Month</p>	<p>2021 RAM 1500 REGULAR CAB SLT 4X4 P6709</p> <p>50K miles, 5.7L V-8 engine, 8spd automatic transmission, power windows, locks and mirrors, cruise control, 40/20/40 split cloth bench seat, chrome bumpers and grille, Bluetooth, keyless remote entry, warranty! Now Just \$27,991 \$421 Per Month</p>	<p>2020 CHEVY SUBURBAN LT 4X4 P6686</p> <p>5.3L V8, dual power heated leather front bucket seats, 3 rows of seating, sunroof, power liftgate, collision avoidance, lane sense, power pedals, rear park assist, warranty! Now Just \$27,991 \$423 Per Month</p>	<p>2023 NISSAN ROGUE AWD P6706</p> <p>Balance of factory warranty, Large infotainment touch screen, Apple Car Play, blind Spot monitoring, lane sense, rear cross path detection, lane sense, wheel! Now Just \$20,991 \$318 Per Month</p>	<p>2020 CHRYSLER VOYAGER LXI P6630</p> <p>3 rows of leatherette upholstery, full slow & go seating, second row bucket seats, 7" touch screen infotainment with Apple CarPlay, remote keyless enter and go, power lift gate, remote start and warranty! Now Just \$15,000 \$228 Per Month</p>

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Sunday Service Times: 9am & 11am
Prayer Night: 6:30pm on Tuesday

FUSION Youth Group: MS: 6-7:30pm / HS: 7:30-9pm on Wednesday

Location: @ The Church
514 W. Van Buren Street, Gobles • (269) 628-2288
www.journeyfamilychurch.com

Kibbie Christian Reformed Church

00479 CR 687 South Haven, MI 49090
269-637-6575
11am Sunday Worship Service-Pastor Vern Swieringa (vswier245@gmail.com)
Additional activities:
Children's Worship ages 4-8yrs old
AA Meetings every Thursday 7pm
Community Potlucks the 2nd Wednesday every month @ 6pm
Principe de Paz-Spanish Church
3 pm Sunday Worship Service-Pastor Alfredo De La Rosa (pastordelarosa72@hotmail.com)
Additional activities:
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BBkids Church 10:00 am
Morning Worship 11:00 am
Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Monday Prayer & Praise 6:00 pm
Everyone Welcome
Wed. Women's Bible Study 5:00 pm
Adult Bible Study 6:00 pm

Horseshoe Community Bible Church

4950 104th Ave., Grand Junction, MI
Phone (269) 521-4580
Sunday School 10 am
Sunday Worship 11 am
Evening Services 6pm
Wed. Bible Study & Prayer Meeting 6:30pm
Pastor Don Miller

Bloomingtondale Christian Church

Sunday School 9:45 am (classes for all ages)
Sunday Worship 11:00 am
Sunday Gospel Kidz 5:15 pm (3yrs-6th Grade)
Tuesday Men's Prayer Breakfast 6:00 am
Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer 7:00 pm
Senior Bible Study 1st & 3rd Friday 11:00 am
208 East Pine Street, Bloomingtondale
(269) 521-4233 • bdalechurch1858@gmail.com
Church Office - Friday

Northpoint Ministries of Gobles

04077 M40, Gobles MI 49055
269-628-9199 • northpointgobles@gmail.com

Pastors: Gary Lounsberry & John Losen Jr.
Sunday - Worship Service 11am
Monday - Bible Study 7:00
Wednesday - Prayer Meeting 7pm

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3313 102nd Ave., Gobles
Sundays
Sunday School 9:30 am
Morning Worship 10:45 am
Evening Service 6 pm

Ladies Bible Study
Tuesday 9:30-11:00 am

Wednesday Nights during the school year - Clubs, Youth Group and Prayer Meeting 6:30 PM
Call (269) 673-5274 for transportation services



Townline Church

41470 24th Ave, Bloomingtondale
9:15am - Sunday School for all ages
10:30am - Sunday Worship service

Townline Community Ministry Center
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Court Address/Phone No. 212 Paw Paw Street, Paw Paw, Michigan 49079 269-657-8200

Estate of ALAN RAY CROSS, Deceased.
Date of Birth: 04/02/1956

TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS:
The decedent, Alan Ray Cross, died 01/20/2025. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Julia Ann Hacker, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 212 Paw Paw Street, Paw Paw, MI 49079 and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: 04/03/25

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Last Names M-Z: Thurs., April 24

Fall 2024 Enrollment for BOTH Lincoln & Maple Grove Elementary Schools
JR. Kindergarten & Kindergarten: Child must be 5 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2025. Those born between Sept. 1st-December 1st will need to complete a waiver to enroll.
GSRP Preschool: Child must be 4 years old by Sept. 1, 2025 & must meet eligibility requirements set by the State of MI.
Schools of Choice Applications: If residing out of district, you may apply for your child to attend SHPS through Schools of Choice. **MORE INFO AT:** www.shps.org
Questions? Please call (269) 637-0500 or email enrollment@shps.org

For planning & scheduling purposes, students who enroll after Aug. 1, 2025 may experience a delay in receiving their teacher assignments.
Para fines de planificación y programación, los estudiantes que se inscriban después del 1 de agosto de 2025 pueden experimentar un retraso en la recepción de sus asignaciones de maestros.

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APELLIDOS M-Z, JUEVES, 24 DE ABRIL
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¿Preguntas? Por favor, llame al (269) 637-0536 o por correo electrónico: enrollment@shps.org

- What to bring to Round Up:**
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 - Student's Legal Birth Certificate or Certified Copy
 - Record of Immunization
 - Proof of Residency of Current Address (lease, utility bill, mortgage statement, or another official document showing current address)
 - Proof of dental/vision/hearing screening if applicable

- LLEVAR AL REDONDEO/EVENTO:**
- Su niño/a
 - Licencia de conducir del padre/tutor legal o identificación estatal
 - Acta de Nacimiento Legal del Estudiante o Copia Certificada
 - Registro de Inmunizaciones
 - Prueba de domicilio de la dirección actual (contrato de arrendamiento, factura de servicios públicos, estado de cuenta de la hipoteca u otro documento oficial que muestre la dirección actual).
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If you are interested in adopting Lola, please visit al-van.org/adopt and fill out an adoption application.
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The Van Buren Reminder's Easter Services Directory
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EASTER is near and approaching fast. In honor of the holiday, we are once again offering all places of worship the opportunity to advertise their "EASTER Worship Services" for \$25. This will give you an opportunity to notify out-of-town visitors and local residents of your upcoming events for this special time of year.
Information may be submitted using the form below. Mail to:
VAN BUREN REMINDER
P.O. Box 218
Bangor, MI 49013
Information may also be submitted by fax, (269) 427-5286 or email to reminder49013@aol.com. All requests must be received by Wednesday, April 16 by 3 pm for our April 20 issue. Please call (269) 427-7474 for further information or questions.

April 20 Easter Services Directory

First United Methodist Church 1000 N. Grand St. Bangor, MI 49013 Phone: (269) 427-1234	Bangor Church of Christ 1000 N. Grand St. Bangor, MI 49013 Phone: (269) 427-1234	St. John's Lutheran Church 1000 N. Grand St. Bangor, MI 49013 Phone: (269) 427-1234
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NAME OF CHURCH: _____
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Canned green beans	Pudding cups	Taco seasoning

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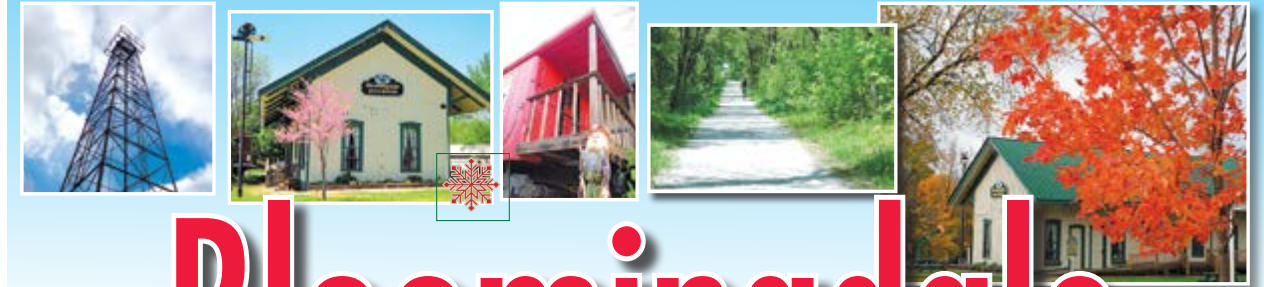
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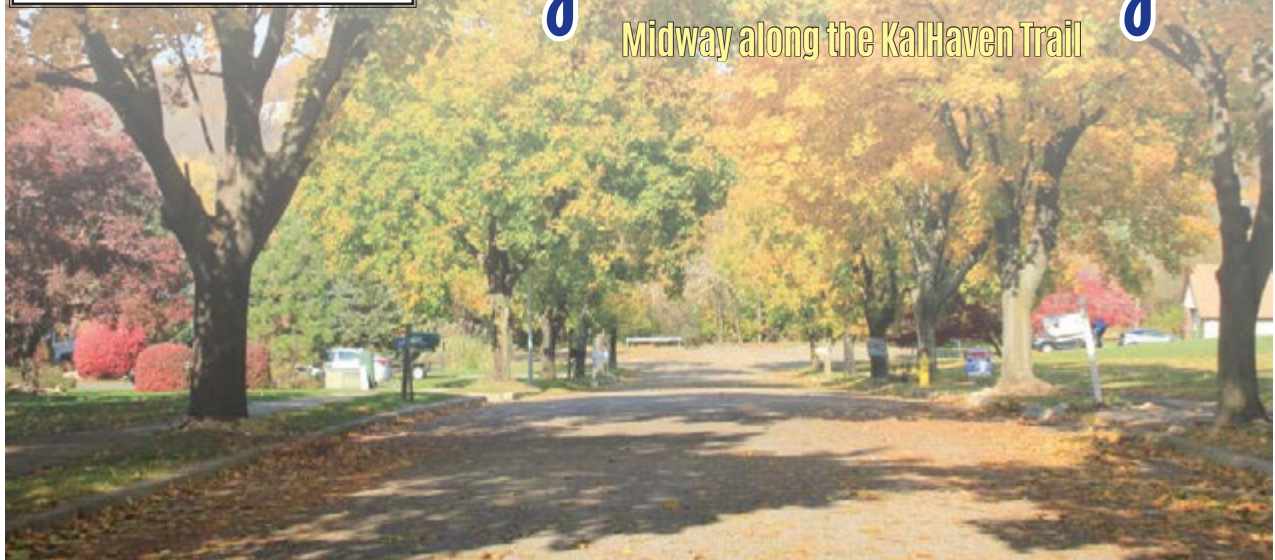
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Elementary Schools Gear Up for Future Students with Kindergarten Round Up

Bloomington and Pullman Elementary Schools are excited to welcome its newest class of learners at the upcoming Kindergarten Round Up. This informative event provides an opportunity for parents of children entering kindergarten in the fall to learn more about the school, meet the dedicated teachers and staff, and get a glimpse into a typical kindergarten day. Families will be able to tour the classrooms, discover the engaging curriculum, and ask any questions they may have about the transition to elementary school. This is a crucial step in ensuring a smooth and positive start to their child's educational journey at Bloomington Public Schools.

Kindergarten Round Up is designed to be a welcoming and informative experience for both parents and future students. Children are encouraged to attend and participate in some fun, age-appropriate activities that will allow them to interact with teachers and other soon-to-be classmates. Important information regarding registration, school policies, and what to expect in kindergarten will be shared with parents. We believe in building strong partnerships with families from the very beginning and encourage all eligible families to attend this valuable event to prepare for an exciting year of learning and growth.

Bloomington and Pullman Elementary Schools Kindergarten & Pre-K ENROLLMENT

Register now for 2025-26

- Child must be 5 by September 1, 2025 for Kindergarten
- 4 by December 1, 2025 for Pre-K
- Age 3 to 5 years old for Head Start

Enrollment requirements:

- Birth certificate
- Updated Immunization records
- Proof of residency (like a utility bill)
- Proof of income (for Pre-K & Head Start)

April 30 from 5-7pm
Pullman Elementary
5580 South Avenue
Pullman, HI 49450
Contact: Katie Rawson (269)236-5235 or krojasi@bdalecards.org for more info.

May 1 from 5-7pm
Bloomington Elementary
307 East Willow Street
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Contact: Shelsy Goudswaard (269)521-3935 or sgoudswaard@bdalecards.org for more info.

PULLMAN ELEMENTARY

Critchlow Alligator Assembly

We are Wild About Reading! We kicked off Reading Month with an exciting assembly from the Critchlow Alligator Sanctuary.



March is Reading Month- Guest Readers

Throughout March, we were delighted to host numerous guest readers as part of our Reading Month celebrations. Family members, community leaders, and volunteers took time out of their day to share stories with students, fostering a love of reading and learning. Thank you!



Literacy Night: Glow Read a Book!

We hosted a glow-themed Literacy Night, bringing students, families, and staff together for an evening of reading fun. Under the glow of black lights, participants engaged in a variety of interactive reading games and activities designed to promote literacy in an exciting and engaging way.



Alan Kazam: Reading is Magic

We wrapped up our Reading Month celebrations with an exciting "Reading is Magic" assembly featuring magician Alan Kazam. The event provided students with a fun and engaging experience, blending the excitement of magic with the joy of reading.



Escuelas Primarias Bloomington y Pullman Jardín de infancia & Preescolar INSCRIPCIÓN

Regístrate ahora para el curso 2025-26

- El niño debe tener 5 años antes del 1 de Septiembre de 2025 para el jardín de infancia
- 4 años antes del 1 de Diciembre de 2025 para Pre-K
- De 3 a 5 años para Head Start

Requisitos de Inscripción:

- Certificado de nacimiento
- Registros de vacunación actualizados
- Comprobante de residencia (como una factura de servicios públicos)
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30 de Abril de 5-7pm
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SCHOOL BREAKFAST

Exciting News from Bloomington Public School Food Service!

We are thrilled to introduce our new **Breakfast Menu** for all students! Every morning, we offer **FREE breakfast to ALL students**—a great way to start the day with a nutritious meal.

- Time:** 20 minutes before the start of the school day
- Location:** School cafeteria
- Options:** A variety of hot and cold breakfast choices available throughout the week

We are committed to ensuring that every student begins their day with a **healthy, balanced meal**. Join us each morning and fuel up for a great day of learning! This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

BLOOMINGTON ELEMENTARY

Students Shine Bright at South Haven Arts Festival

The artistic talents of Bloomington Elementary School students will be on full display at the annual South Haven Arts Festival, "Shine Bright." A vibrant collection of artwork, ranging from colorful paintings to imaginative sculptures, created by students across all grade levels.

Under the guidance of Ms. Moerman, Bloomington students poured their creativity and hard work into their pieces. The theme of "Shine Bright" resonated throughout their artwork, with many students utilizing bright colors.

"We are incredibly proud of the hard work and creativity our students have shown. Participating in the South Haven Arts Festival provides a wonderful opportunity for them to share their talents with the wider community and experience the joy of artistic expression."

The Bloomington Elementary exhibit will be on display April 11 through May 3.



Bloomington Elementary Launches a Stellar Science Night!

Bloomington Elementary truly lived up to its building theme of "Bloomington Elementary is Out of This World", hosting a wildly successful science night that transported students and families on an intergalactic adventure. Each grade level transformed our hallways into a different corner of the cosmos, offering engaging and educational activities for all ages.

Adding to the cosmic excitement, the school partnered with the Curious Kids Museum, who brought their popular inflatable planetarium to Bloomington. Students were able to step inside and immerse themselves in a breathtaking view of the night sky, learning about stars and constellations in an interactive and engaging way.

The evening also featured special guest readers from the local public library, who captivated young audiences with exciting tales of space exploration. Their animated readings brought the wonders of the universe to life through the power of storytelling.

The energy throughout the school was palpable as students eagerly participated in hands-on experiments, built model rockets, and learned fascinating facts about space. The event was a resounding success, fostering a love of science and exploration in Bloomington's young learners.

"It was fantastic to see so many families engaged in learning together," said Principal Dygert. "The creativity of our teachers and the support of the Curious Kids Museum and the library made this a truly memorable and educational night for our students."

Science night proved that learning can be an out-of-this-world experience, leaving students inspired to continue their own explorations of the universe.



Bloomington Elementary Swings into Spring with Positive Behavior Celebrations

Bloomington Elementary is fostering a positive and supportive learning environment through its robust Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) system. A cornerstone of this program is the monthly recognition of "Students of the Month," where individual students who consistently demonstrate exemplary behavior, are celebrated by their peers and teachers. This public acknowledgement reinforces positive choices and inspires others to follow suit. Furthermore, the school hosts highly-anticipated, quarterly reward parties for all students who have maintained a clean record with no office referrals during the marking period. These fun-filled events serve as a tangible incentive and a school-wide celebration of collective positive behavior, creating a joyful and harmonious atmosphere throughout Bloomington Elementary.



Adding an exciting twist to their PBIS initiatives this marking period, Bloomington Elementary is set to host a friendly basketball game pitting staff and parents against the students. This unique event aims to bring the school community even closer, providing a relaxed and engaging platform for interaction outside of the traditional classroom setting. The upcoming basketball game promises to be a fantastic opportunity to celebrate the students' commitment to positive behavior in a fun and memorable way, fostering a stronger sense of unity and shared pride within the Bloomington Elementary family.

Students Celebrate Reading Month with Special Guests

Bloomington Elementary School recently wrapped up a successful Reading Month filled with exciting activities and the delightful addition of guest readers. Throughout March, students were treated to visits from community leaders and local figures who shared their love of reading and captivating stories. Among the esteemed guests were Superintendent Rick Reo and Van Buren County Sheriff Dan Abbott, both of whom took time out of their busy schedules to connect with young learners and emphasize the importance and joy of literacy. Their presence created a buzz of excitement throughout the school, inspiring students to further explore the wonderful world of books.

The students were thrilled to have these prominent figures share their time and passion for reading, leaving a lasting impression on the young minds. Bloomington Elementary extends its sincere gratitude to Superintendent Reo, Sheriff Abbott, and all the guest readers who contributed to a memorable and enriching Reading Month.



BLOOMINGTON MIDDLE & HS

Career Day Inspires Bloomington Students

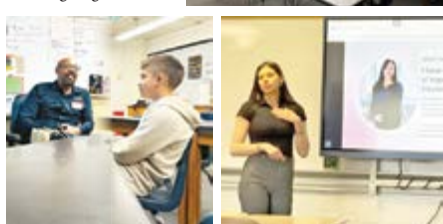
On Thursday, March 27, 2025, Bloomington Middle and High School proudly hosted Career Day—an inspiring event coordinated by Ms. Felty, School Counselor, and Mrs. Price, School Counselor Secretary. The event featured a variety of guest speakers, many of whom were Bloomington alumni, and offered students a unique opportunity to explore a wide range of career paths.

In preparation, students signed up for four sessions based on their interests. Session topics included aerospace engineering, electrical work, health insurance advising, non-profit leadership, human resources at a credit union, and many more engaging careers.

"It was wonderful to see how excited and curious our students were as they explored different career paths and interacted with professionals from various fields," shared Principal Lukes. "The positive feedback from both students and staff is a true testament to Ms. Felty and Mrs. Price's hard work. Their creativity, organization, and commitment made Career Day a meaningful and memorable experience. Their efforts not only broadened our students' horizons, but also sparked new interests and ambitions that will benefit them for years to come."

A School Board member also praised the event, saying, "It's awesome that the middle and high school hosted a Career Day for our students! I thoroughly enjoyed interacting with them, and it was great to witness so many positive student-to-student interactions. One of the best moments was seeing a student fist bump almost every peer in his session as he entered, acknowledging each one. What a wonderful example of the school culture we're striving to build!"

Career Day at Bloomington Middle and High School served as a reminder of the power of real-world connections and the importance of preparing students for their futures. Events like this not only strengthen our school community but also help equip students with the confidence and curiosity to dream big and pursue meaningful goals.



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Bloomington Public Schools will be having a Local Wellness Policy meeting this Summer 2025. Date to be determined. If you are interested in attending or providing input, please contact Carrie Gumpert, Food Service Director, at 269-521-3923 or cgumpert@bdalecards.org.

Calling All Senior Citizens

Bloomington Public Schools invites you to see what's happening with the local children. Join us for lunch on Thursday, April 24 at 1:30 pm in the middle/high school cafeteria. We will be serving ham, macaroni & cheese, garden salad, broccoli, dinner roll, and strawberry shortcake. Please RSVP by Tuesday, April 22 to Anita at 521-3903.

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- Jackie Cooley & Family

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1. Phone scams
Phone scams may involve telemarketers trying to sell you something in exchange for personal information given over the phone, as well as people impersonating government agencies or credit card companies. "Please confirm account information" or "We'll need your financial information to process" are some of the phrases these scammers utilize. Never give out personal information over the phone unless you've confirmed the individual you're speaking to is legitimate.

2. Text links
The Pew Research Center says 81 percent of adult mobile phone users use text messages regularly. Scammers utilize text messages to try to gain information. The text includes a link to a site that will request personal information. Do not respond to such texts and avoid clicking on the links.

3. Phishing emails
Phishing emails look like they are coming from legitimate sources, but they often contain malware that can infiltrate computers and other devices to steal identity data. Phishing increased during the COVID-19 lockdowns as more people were working from home, according to the TTRC.

4. Medicare card verification
Older individuals long have been targets of criminals. Seniors are now being called, emailed or even visited in person by scammers claiming to represent Medicare. Perpetrators of this scam offer new services or new chipped Medicare cards in exchange for verification of Medicare identification numbers. Medicare numbers should be carefully guarded, and seniors should keep in mind it's highly unlikely Medicare representatives will contact them in this way.

5. Data breaches
It's not just a home computer or phone breach you need to worry about. According to ARAG Legal, security experts indicate many major companies are being breached. By the time it's discovered that data was stolen, your personal information, which usually includes credit card numbers, email addresses and home addresses, has been circulating for some time. While it's impossible for private citizens to prevent this type of data breach, a credit monitoring service can alert consumers if their information shows up where it seemingly doesn't belong.

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Uniform Response handled a Stolen Vehicle complaint in Almena Township. Deputies recovered a stolen vehicle out of Kalamazoo near the scene and the stolen vehicle from our complaint was recovered in Kalamazoo. Anyone with any information is asked to call our office.

Uniform Response handled a Stolen Quad complaint in Decatur Township. The quad is a red, 300 Suzuki King Quad, late 80's early 90's, army star sticker on front fender, torn seat, water in one headlight, and it's a 4x4. Anyone with any information is asked to call our office.

Our Office is Participating in Distracted Driving Campaign put on through OHSP (Office Highway Safety Planning). Deputies will be targeting distracted drivers due to using the phone, etc. Zero tolerance is given while they are on overtime for this campaign.

Uniform Response handled a 2 Vehicle PDA (Personal Damage Accident) in Antwerp Township. Prior to arrival, one of the drivers left the scene and pulled into a private driveway down the road. Deputies were able to locate the vehicle and driver. After the investigation was complete, the driver was lodged for operating under the influence of alcohol.

Uniform Response responded to the Village of Lawrence for an Unknown Fire by the Old Fifth Third Bank. Deputies found a Molotov Cocktail that had embers and ash coming from it in the parking lot. They were unable to locate anyone. If anyone has any information on it, they are asked to call our office.

Uniform Response handled an Indecent Exposure at the Dollar General in Geneva Township. It was found that an unknown male paid for some food, flashed himself to the clerk, then left in an unknown direction of travel. It is also unknown if the suspect was on foot or drove there. It is an ongoing investigation. Anyone with any information is asked to call our office.

Uniform Response handled an MDOP (Malicious Destruction of Property) in Keeler Township. Deputies were able to ID 3 juvenile suspects believed to be involved. The juveniles were throwing metal pipes through the victim's windows.

Uniform Response and Dispatch had a busy Week Due to the Weather. They handled many trees down, powerlines down in the roadway, a barn fire which was possibly caused by a lightning strike (Assisting the Fire Departments), etc.

The New Seat Belt Restraint Law Went into Effect This Past Week. If you have children or will have them riding in your vehicle and are not familiar with the new requirements, be sure to read the new updates.

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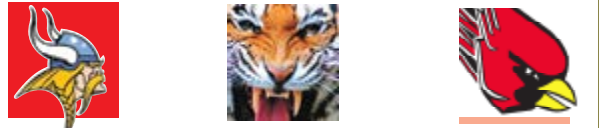
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In her early years, she worked at Nooney's drugstore. She had her own daycare, and over the years, Sandy kept in touch with the kids and their families. Sandy was a member of the Presbyterian church. She enjoyed cooking for friends and neighbors. She was the most giving person. Special thanks to her friends and neighbors. Per Sandy's request cremation and burial at Gun Plain Cemetery in Plainwell has taken place. Donations can be made to Wings of Hope in Allegan.

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