



The **City Manager's Monthly Report** is intended to provide a brief summary of City activities, with links to additional information where possible. Due to the variety and complexity of City functions, however, the report is not all-encompassing. Please always feel free to <u>contact the City of Bloomington</u> for more information or with questions or concerns. View past and upcoming events on the City's <u>calendar</u>.

HIGHLIGHTS

In this report you will find detailed activity from the City Council and City Departments for April 2019 including:

- The Council approved bargaining agreements with AFSCME Local 699 and IATSE Local 193, two of the city's bargaining units representing city employees.
- Statistics from the **Fire Department**; the department responded to 723 EMS incidents representing 81.42% of calls for service.
- The **Community Development Department** issued a total of 496 Construction Permits in April 2019 totaling \$6.2 million.

CONSIDERED IN APRIL

City Council Record of Motions and Votes

City Council Regular Agenda Items

- Consideration of Adoption of the FY 2020 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance. [Motion Carried]
- Ratification of Contract with IATSE Local 193. [Motion Carried]
- Consideration of an Ordinance creating a new Capital Improvement Fund, titled the Capital Improvement Asphalt & Concrete Fund. [Motion Carried]
- Consideration of a Resolution authorizing a bid waiver and approving a Contract with Houseal Lavigne & Associates, in an amount not to exceed \$35,000, for Professional Consulting Services to perform an additional analysis of the R-3B Zoning District. [Motion Carried]
- Consideration of a Resolution approving the submittal of the 2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Annual Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. [Motion Carried]
- Consideration and action on an Amendment to the Agreement for Professional Management Services
 with VenuWorks for the Management and Operation of the Grossinger Motors Arena. [Motion
 Carried]
- Consideration of a Resolution to approve acceptance and installation of a statute commemorating the history of aerial circus performers within the community. [Motion Carried]
- Consideration to approve the reorganization of the City Clerk Department to increase efficiencies via an Ordinance amending the City Code to update the list of City departments and modernize the duties and functions of the City Clerk department. [Motion Carried]
- Consideration of the appointment of Leslie Yocum as City Clerk. [Motion Carried]
- Ratification of Contract with AFSCME Local 699. [Motion Carried]

Presentation Only

- Presentation regarding World Circus Day
- Presentation of the Public Safety and Community Relations Board Annual Report.

• Review of all the events, façade enhancements, infrastructure improvements, and facility upgrades happening in Downtown Bloomington summer 2019

APRIL NEWSMAKERS

- ➤ City to Host ServLine Learning Opportunities
- May 1-14 Free Spring Bulk Waste Collection Notice
- Police Chief to Retire
- Pallas Cat Kittens Born
- ► Historic Preservation Awards
- City Receives Sidewalk Grant

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

- 2020 Preliminary Budget Link
- 2020 Budget Approved, to be posted soon.
- Dept. established special fund for Local Motor Fuel Tax collection and began process of implementing new initiative.

FACILITIES

View Facilities Monthly Activity Report

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Building Safety

- There were a total of 496 Construction Permits issued in April 2019, which is on par with the 476 Construction Permits issued in April of 2018. However, the construction value showed a decrease from \$7,004,085 in 2018 to \$6,296,735 in April of 2019.
- One new project was valued in excess of \$1,000,000 for the commercial renovation of the VA Medical Clinic at 207 East Hamilton Road (\$2.9 MM).

Code Enforcement

• Held Quarterly Property Maintenance Review Board meeting on April 25, 2019 with discussion on the Code Enforcement Pamphlet and Rental Inspection Checklist.

Planning, Zoning and Historic Preservation

- Staff coordinated the scope of work for R3B analysis of the residential areas surrounding the Downtown
- The HPC held their monthly meeting on April 18, 2019 and discussed the Heritage Award nominations and National Historic Preservation Month.
- The ZBA approved various setback variances for allow for a new dwelling unit at 807 North Western Avenue and a Special Use Permit for Chicken Keeping at 3402 & 3404 East Oakland at their meeting on April 17, 2019. The Board also recognized Barbara Meek and Jeff Brown for their service to the community.

Economic Development

Working through transition to new Economic Development Department.

FIRE **f**

View Expanded Monthly Fire Statistics

- The department responded to 888 calls for service in April compared to 861 in March. There were 723 EMS incidents which accounted for 81.42% of our incidents. The department responded to 165 fire incidents which accounted for 18.58% of the incidents. Fire loss for the month was down significantly; we had \$8000 in estimated fire loss with no large fires.
- The department averaged 29.6 incidents per day. Department fire investigators investigated 1 fire in April and Truck 1 was the busiest fire apparatus with 191 runs. Medic 1 was the busiest ambulance with 185 runs.
- Tuesdays were our busiest day of the week with 171 incidents over the month and 10:00 am to 11:00
- The department provided mutual aid 21 times this month and received mutual aid 2 times.
- Our members provided 4 hours of preceptor time to ECRN nurses, 4 hours to EMS students, and 32 hours to BACC students.

HUMAN RESOURCES

The Human Resources department partners with every department of the City on their human capital needs and interacts and serves all employees throughout their careers, as well as prospective employees. The staff includes twelve (12) full-time employees who focus on six primary areas: Employee Recruitment and Hiring; Employee and Labor Relations; Compensation and Benefits; Training and Development, Employee Wellness and Safety, and Community Relations.

- Apply for current job postings
- **↓** View Expanded HR Report

PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL ARTS (Website!)

Bloomington Center for the Performing Arts

View the BCPA calendar for past & future event info

Presented Programs:

- Church Basement Ladies, Wednesday April 10, the fifth installment of this perennial favorite comedy returned to the BCPA with all the high jinx and humor expected from this throwback situational skit comedy that caters to an older demographic.
- Glenn Miller Orchestra, Thursday April 11. The classic big band jazz orchestra thrilled the
 audience of all ages at the BCPA. Both the young and young at heart enjoyed the original
 arrangements of instrumental and vocal classics.
- Dave Rudolf, Friday April 12. After an unprecedented two weather related cancelations this
 season Dave Rudolf's Beach party show was finally able to take place and the audience had a
 rollicking good time doing the limbo, mambo, and conga around the auditorium and singing
 along with their favorite popular beach party songs.

Rentals:

- Illinois Symphony Orchestra, Friday April 5, 2019.
- Illinois Symphony Orchestra, Friday April 26, 2019.

Community Programs

- Bloomington 101, Thursday April 25 the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Department presented their sections of Bloomington 101 on Thursday, April 25 in the BCPA Auditorium.
- Total Attendance for all events and classes: 8,858; Facilities Usage: Auditorium Public Events
 12; Auditorium Non-Public Events 8; Ballroom and Other Space: Public Events 6; Non-Public Events 10; Community Interactions: Radio 10.

Golf Courses I

- Unfortunately, we experienced another cold and rainy April. For the 2nd straight season, the courses did not officially open until after the first of the month. This marks just the second time in the last 20 years that the courses opened this late. For this to happen in back to back years certainly doesn't help get golfers out on the course when they are most excited to do so. Despite the weather, we were still able to see over 3,650 rounds played, which is up 3% over last April.
- The 5th Annual Green Jacket Open was held at The Den on Saturday, April 12th. A full field of 30 3 man teams came out to enjoy a chilly, but sunny day on the course. Over 50% of the field of players were from outside of McLean County.
- The Illinois Prep Tour brought over 150 players out to The Den at Fox Creek for one of their year opening events. The Prep Tour brings many events to our courses throughout the year and does a great job in developing junior golfers.
- The Den at Fox Creek put into service a brand new fleet of Club Car golf carts. These carts were much needed to keep our customers happy and operation running smoothly. Our resourceful staff was able to take the GPS systems off of the old fleet and put it onto the new fleet. Having GPS on the carts is something our golfers at The Den appreciate having. Thanks to the staff who put in many long hours to make this happen.
- Superintendent of Golf, Jason Wingate, began his 9th year of a Friday morning golf segment on the Scott Laughlin show on WJBC. The segment runs each Friday from April through September at 8:10am. This segment covers a variety of golf topics and allows Jason to discuss what's going on with Bloomington Golf.

Miller Park Zoo

- Revenue from admissions was down 5.7% for the current fiscal year. Attendance was down 6.3% for the current fiscal year compared to last year's attendance. Revenue from rentals was up 6.8% for the current fiscal year.
- Revenue from concessions, carousel, and animal food sales was up 2.2% for the current fiscal year compared to last year's numbers. Education revenue was up 10.5% and Zootique sales were down 11.2% for the current fiscal year. Overall zoo revenue was down 2.6%. Concessions, carousel, and animal food sales was down .6% for the current fiscal year compared to last year's numbers. Education revenue was up 3.8%, and Zootique sales were down 12.3% for the current fiscal year, and overall Zoo revenue was down 3.6%.
- Acquisitions: 5 Pallas' Cat Kittens, 2 Hedgehogs, 1 Western Hognose, 9 Domestic Rats, 1 Red Eyed Tree Frog, 2 American Alligators, 1 Mata Mata, 1 Laughing Kookaburra
- Disposition: 1 Mission Golden-Eyed Tree Frog, 1 Female Chinchilla, 2 Tammar Wallabies, 2
 Dictator Scorpions, 1 Female Cairo Spiny Mouse

Other:

- Hosted Party for the Planet
- Received the American Alligators
- Announced 5 Pallas' Cat Kittens

Attendance

• April 2019: 8748 (Up 2.2%) vs. April 2019: 8559

Recreation If

- Registration for summer programs started for both residents and non-residents in April. This
 was a change from previous years and was moved up from May. This has been a welcome
 change for families looking to plan their summer activities.
- The Story Walk was held in partnership with Bloomington library to celebrate Earth Day. There were over 80 in attendance despite the rain.
- Recreation held several art, cooking, and sports programs for you, as well as fitness classes and trips for older adults in April.

Pepsi Ice Center

- The annual CIFSC Spring Ice Show was held at Grossinger Motors Arena and featured 72 skaters ranging in age from 3-65. Over 420 people attended the performance.
- There was an American Girl Doll themed open skate. Over 50 skaters took part in the events.

SOAR I

- The SOAR Soccer team was invited to participate in a Unified Soccer tournament at the U of I as an ISU team. The Unity Cup had 5 colleges represented. The combined SOAR/ISU team took third.
- SOAR participated in the second IWU/SOAR Sports Night of the school year. There were 43 SOAR and Titan athletes participating. The Titan athletes organized experiences in three sports stations, and ended with unified kickball games.

Parks Maintenance

Horticulture/Right of Way

- Completed pre-emergent fertilizer and crabgrass control in parks.
- Park clean up in all parks.
- Bank stabilization at White Oak Lake.
- Application of 120 pounds of SonarQ aquatic herbicide within Golden eagle detention, Eagle creek detention, Tipton Lake, and White Oak Lake.
- Mulching of plant beds and tree wells downtown.
- Landscape consultations with Downtown Development Division and designs for plant bed fencing downtown Bloomington.
- Continued invasive plant control and site reclamation at Anglers Lake.
- Start of mowing operations both in parks and right of way.

Forestry

- Prescribed burning at The Den Golf Course, Tipton Park, The Grove Prairie, White Oak
 Park, Miller Park and Ewing III Park. Prescribed burning is required for native prairie grasses
 and forbs to perpetuate. Burning controls noxious weeds and woody plants in a cost effective
 manner
- 9 trees removed.
- 8 maintenance trims performed.
- Log grinding and processing 2000 cubic yards of mulch.
- 2 storm damage events.
- Start of tree planting operations. 185 trees to be planted by June 1.

- International Society of Arboriculture tree valuation on 2 trees at Lake Bloomington.
- Arbor Day Celebration at Northpoint Elementary School. Planted 3 White Oaks on school property.
- Successful moving of 10" diameter Bald Cypress tree from Harmony Park construction zone.
- Celebration of 32 years as Tree City USA by National Arbor Day Foundation.

Utility

- April is very busy month for the Utility division. Staff was busy opening up all park public
 bathrooms and drinking fountains. Park staff has to re-assemble all bathroom fixtures and
 Install all the water meters. The Utility staff also began the preparation for the opening of the
 Spray Parks in mid-May and the opening of the swimming pools at the end of May. The
 Utility Staff completed the annual Boiler maintenance at both Holiday and O'Neil swimming
 pools.
- Monthly HVAC inspection and repairs at Parks and Facilities
- Monthly HVAC inspections and repairs at the Coliseum and the BCPA
- Completed monthly Park inspections at all City Parks
- Installed foul ball netting at McGraw park
- The Park maintenance staff began a major over haul of Rollingbrook Park. The 2 main projects are the installation of a new playground at Harmony Park which is the new name for the playground in Rollingbrook Park. Demolition has begun and installation will begin as soon as the weather permits. The second project is the installation of 6 new pickleball courts. Staff have removed the old courts and in the process of pouring new courts. Once completed Rollingbrook will have 9 pickleball courts and a shelter with 3 picnic tables

POLICE **f**

Crime Maps and Statistics

Criminal Investigations Division (CID)

CID assigned 61 new cases this month. CID closed 37 in the month of April with the following dispositions: 15 cases were cleared by adult arrest and 22 were administratively closed, exceptionally cleared or were unfounded.

Criminal Intelligence and Analysis Unit (CIAU)

During the month of April, CIAU supported an open homicide investigation resulting from a shooting on April 2nd. CIAU Staff and BPD administration attended several regional law enforcement planning sessions in regard to violent crime reduction strategies.

United States Marshal Task Force

The Bloomington office opened seven felony cases and closed six. Six hands on felony arrests were made. Task Force and BPD officers located and arrested a subject wanted for aggravated discharge of firearm and another subject wanted for robbery and probation violation.

Street Crimes Unit

Street Crimes made 13 probable cause arrests and 17 warrant arrests. They seized 31 grams of cannabis, three firearms, and towed 10 vehicles. One ordinance violation was issued.

VICE Unit

During April, the VICE Unit closed 12 cases. They purchased 2.8 grams of crack cocaine, 2.2 grams of powder cocaine, 7 grams of methamphetamine, and 5 grams of ecstasy. They seized 2 grams of crack cocaine, 4.5 grams of powder cocaine, 149 grams of methamphetamine, and 3 grams of heroin.

First Shift 7 a.m. -3 p.m.

First shift officers participated in the National Drug Take Back event and the McLean County Museum of History Labor and Work Street Fair. During the month of April, first shift conducted 20 school zone enforcement details and responded to 474 high priority calls including: 38 alarm burglary, four alarm hold-up, two alarm panic, one armed subject, three battery, 15 domestic other, five domestic physical, nine fights, four MVA hit and run, four MVA with injuries, one robbery, three sex offenses, two shots fired, three suicidal subjects, one suspicious person, one trespassing, and 332 traffic stops.

Second Shift 3 p.m.-11 p.m.

Second shift officers conducted one STEP detail and one School Zone detail. Officers attended the following trainings: Field Training Officer Certification, Police Minority Relations, Crime Scene Investigations and the Women in Criminal Justice Conference. During the month, officers responded to 520 High Priority calls including: eight 911 hang-ups, 60 alarm burglary, one alarm hold-up, one alarm panic, 13 batteries, seven burglaries, 26 domestic other, 17 domestic physical, six DUIs, 25 fights, one found person, one kidnapping, 13 hit and runs, six accidents with injuries, one retail theft, four sex offenses, 12 shots fired, one suicidal subject, one trespassing, and 254 traffic stops.

Third Shift 11 p.m. -7 a.m.

Third shift officers recorded 30 DUI arrests.

Notable calls for service include on April 2nd, a shooting occurred in which one subject was killed and another was wounded. Officers processed to the crime scene and dealt with a subsequent fight at the emergency room following the incident. The emergency room was closed due to the incident. April 15, during a traffic stop an officer noticed what appeared to be a mortar round in the trunk of the vehicle. The Secretary of State Bomb Squad was notified and took possession of the item. An occupant of the vehicle was arrested for possessing a controlled substance. On April 19th, officers responded to a call of a possible fight at an establishment. While on scene, officers issued the establishment an ordinance violation for a liquor license violation.

Administration

School Resource Officers (SRO) met with many students regarding proper use of social media, grades, success in school, cyber bullying and bullying, challenges to fight, and poor behavior. SRO gave a presentation on law enforcement to local high school students and was interviewed for an article on school safety. SRO responded to or investigated the following calls for service: 20 disorderly conduct, one aggravated battery, one criminal damage, and three fights. The Public Information Officer (PIO) attended a weeklong training "PIO Bootcamp", met with the Boys and Girls club several times, and updated recruitment information. PIO attended a West Side Community event and Recovery Court.

COMMUNICATIONS CENTER LINK TO COMM REPORT

View Police Communications Report

Communications

• Telecommunicators answered 1,826 calls in less than 10 seconds and 81 calls in less than 20 seconds. This gives the communication center a 96% rating of calls answered within 10

- seconds. The State of Illinois mandates that 90% of incoming 911 calls must be answered within 10 seconds.
- Communications Center Manager (CCM) attended the spring HR College, met with an audio recording provider to discuss pending upgrade and future needs, attended the McLean County Disaster Council, and attended drill planning for Full Scale Exercise at ISU scheduled for the spring of 2020.
- Alarm ordinance violations issued to date: 36

PUBLIC WORKS

View Public Works Department Expanded Reports

View 2017 Water Quality Report

View Ecology Action Center 1st Quarter Reports - Solid Waste, Storm Water Education, Energy

Efficiency, and Greenhouse Gas Emissions

View Ecology Action Center 2018 Annual Report

- The Ecology Action Center released 2019 first quarter reports for the Energy Efficiency, Storm Water Education, and Solid Waste programs. They also released their 2018 Annual Report.
- Fleet received 1,023 phone calls while Public Works Administration front office administrative staff received 2,085 telephone calls.
- The Water Division released the 2017 Annual Consumer Report on the Quality of Tap Water. The report is available on the City's website and hard copies are available at City Hall, Division Street facilities, and other locations in the community. The 2018 report will be released in the near future.
- Council approved the Multi-Year Architectural and Engineering Services requests for qualifications.
- Michael Hill gave a guest lecture to Illinois State University public policy students to highlight public works projects and discuss future career options.
- Construction work resumed on Front Street from East Street to Madison Street and on Fairway Drive north of Empire Street.
- Construction projects awarded in April include:
 - o FY 2020 Sidewalk Vertical Displacement Repair Program: \$10,254.53
 - o FY 2020 Sidewalk And Curb Ramp Replacement Program: \$696,039.50
 - o FY 2020 Utility Maintenance Program: \$851,000
 - o FY 2020 Emergency Utility Repair Program: \$321,300
 - o FY 2020 Grading & Seeding Program: \$118,250
 - o FY 2020 Street, Alley and Sidewalk Maintenance Program: \$156,904
 - FY 2020 Traffic Signal Maintenance & Emergency Traffic Signal Repair Program: \$89,255.55
 - o FY 2020 General Resurfacing Program: \$4,209,653.97
- CDM Smith, the consultant developing the Water Division Infrastructure Master Plan, has delivered the draft Infrastructure Master Plan and will conduct a workshop to present and discuss the master plan early in May.
- Preliminary, in-house design work for the control and integration of the Pipeline Road
 Division E Pressure Control Stations with the existing pump stations and water treatment
 plant controls started in April.
- The Illinois Department of Transportation awarded Public Works and District 87 a \$200,000 grant for proposed Safe Routes to School sidewalk projects near Sheridan Elementary School.

- Jim Karch, Kevin Kothe, Steve Arney, Tony Meizelis, and Michael Hill gave presentations and facilitated discussions of streets, sidewalks, and the Department's drone program at the 2019 American Public Works Association Illinois Chapter Conference.
- Due to the condition of streets in the City, potholes are a major undertaking every year for the Streets and Sewer Division. 324 potholes were reported in the month of April. A focused effort on pothole operations utilized 3-5 pothole crews daily. In April, Streets and Sewers began utilizing the Durapatch machine, started permanent pothole patching (grinding and asphalt), and started concrete panel replacements.
- Building upgrades continue.
- Approximately 24,500 residences are serviced by the Solid Waste Program each week. An average of 22.64 pounds of household garbage were picked up each week at these locations during the month of April.
- 300.5 miles were swept during the month of April.
- The Solid Waste Division started the Free Spring Bulk Waste Collection on May 1, 2019.
- Fleet made timely repairs on snow event equipment and completed repairs for equipment used for Spring Free Bulk Collection.
- Daily pumpage for April was 8.4 million gallons per day, around 0.2 mgd lower than the average of the previous 3 years. April was 1 degree cooler than average (52 F avg for April versus 53 F long term average). Total precipitation for April was 4.32" as reported for Hudson by Accuweather.com, which is 0.6" higher than the long term average for the month. 2.16 inches of rain fell in the last two days of April resulting in lake water levels around two feet above spillway elevation for a short period of time.
- Nitrate concentrations for both reservoirs are below the 10 mg/l as N regulatory limit.
 Laboratory staff are closely monitoring the lakes and streams, and will continue to monitor conditions.
- We utilized Evergreen Lake as our water source during April. Both Evergreen Lake and Lake Bloomington levels remained above spillway elevation during April.
- The Water Division continued to replace and repair water service lines and curb stops. Staff replaced and / or repaired 24 service lines. Several of these were very old lead (the metal) service lines. Removal of lead from the system helps the City maintain safe water quality and is in accordance with lead water standards.
- The Department located / cleared 2,739 JULIES and issued 30 JULIES.
- Staff repaired 2 water main breaks, repaired 4 fire hydrants, and replaced 3 fire hydrants throughout the City.
- Staff installed 29 Radio Frequency (RF) meters during the month of April. The Department has converted approximately 98.7% of the total meter inventory.
- Staff installed 9 new residential water meters during the month of April and replaced 282 residential water meters. Staff installed 3 compound meters and replaced 8 meter measuring elements during the month of April.
- Staff completed a total of 1,742 service requests during the month of April.
- Lake Evergreen Electrical conversion is complete.
- City electricians have started spring traffic light maintenance.
- New drives have been ordered for Fort Jesse pump station and Water treatment plant.
- New 200hp motor was installed in the Fort Jesse A pump station.
- New check valves are being installed at Evergreen pump station.
- Water treatment plant roof replacement is complete.

- Staff continues to work through replacing items that were lost in the Lake Parks Maintenance building fire. Most of the lost equipment and tools have been replaced. The City of Bloomington has been coordinating with the City's insurance provider regarding reimbursement. Building replacement coordination is ongoing.
- Staff, along with Parks and Rec, performed a controlled burn at the North Park Nature Area. Staff will be planting 10 acres of wildflower and pollinator seeds this spring.
- The Comprehensive Boat Dock program continues to be a success. Letters are being sent to the remaining dock owners to ensure compliance and to schedule a time for tenants to pick up their dock plates.
- The Davis Lodge was rented 4 times in April, 2019, compared to 4 times in April, 2018.

LIBRARY II ...

Bloomington Public Library Website May, June, July, August Guide

Highlights:

- 125 people celebrated Hispanic culture at the Dia de los ninos/dia de los libros program.
- In partnership with the Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department, we had 83 people join us for a StoryWalk at the Atwood Wayside.
- A District 87 student art exhibit was on display in the Children's Area.
- The 2019 Bloomington Reads program series continued, with 95 people participating in 4 programs, including a presentation by the spotlight title's author, <u>Nafissa Thompson-Spires</u>.
- We look forward to our Summer Reading Program, It's Showtime at BPL, beginning May 28th.

Stats:

- 26,031 people visited the Library (a daily average of 898)
- 90,513 items were checked out
- 295 new cardholders were added
- 8,121 holds were filled
- 348 items were delivered to 52 homebound residents
- 734 items were delivered to 12 deposit collection sites
- 3,131 people used our wifi for a total data usage of 1.6 TB
- 4,029 people used our public computers
- 205 groups reserved our meeting rooms
- 50 programs offered for all ages
- 1,061 people attended programs

GROSSINGER MOTORS ARENA

Monthly Events Calendar

April 2019

- The Central Illinois Flying Aces played their final home game on April 13th.
- Old Dominion played their re-scheduled concert on Sunday, April 14th to a great crowd at the Arena. An energetic show with two openers provided plenty of entertainment for the nearly 4,000 fans in attendance.

- City of Bloomington Wellness Fair was held on Thursday, April 25th
- Normal Community High School Graduation Rehearsal kicked off graduation season on Friday, April 26th.
- Downtown Bloomington's Indoor Farmer's Market final indoor market was held on April 20th and nearly 500 people came down to purchase locally grown produce and crafts. The weekly outdoor markets kick off the summer season on Saturday, May 4th.
- The Central Illinois Figure Skating Club performed their spring show "Seasons!" on Saturday, April 27th. This annual event gives the club a chance to show off the skills and accomplishments of the students of all ages and this event continues to grow each year.
- Youth and adult hockey leagues as well as the Central Illinois Figure Skating Club use the arena every open evening and weekend for their scheduled practices and games that overflow from the Pepsi Ice Center. These are winding down as the leagues conclude their season. Ice will remain in the Arena for the Stars On Ice show in May this year.

Upcoming Events include:

- Stars On Ice will bring National and Olympic figure skating champions to Bloomington on Saturday, May 4th. It's a chance to see the incredible talent of these skaters up close!
- RBRM (Bobby Brown & Bell Biv Devoe) bring some R & B to the stage on Tuesday, May 14th. Former members of the band New Edition, their new tour is heading out this summer and stopping in Bloomington for one night only.
- Heartland Community College (5/14), Normal Community High School (5/26), Normal West Community High School (5/26) and Bloomington High School (5/27) graduation ceremonies will take place at the Arena in May. Hosting these events allows the schools to invite more family and friends of the graduates to attend and celebrate these milestones.
- The Pepsi Ice Center youth and adult hockey leagues are winding down but still renting the Arena ice on weeknights and non-event days along with the Central Illinois Figure Skating Club. Ice will begin being taken out on Monday, May 20th for the season.
- Jehovah's Witness Convention Weekends will take place on June 21-23rd and June 2830th this year. Thousands of congregants will be visiting Bloomington each of these weekends. Sublime with Rome concert (6/5), Luke Combs (9/27) and Trolls Live! (11/16) events are all now on sale.

We continue to work on the following major items:

- Suite and Sponsorship partnerships
- Pepsi Ice Center naming rights
- Booking new events and concerts

VenuWorks is pleased to be a partner with the City of Bloomington to present live entertainment and sporting events at Grossinger Motors Arena. We appreciate your confidence in us.