



DEAF LINE

NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2022

DEAF SOCIAL/SUPPORT GROUP



Holiday Celebration

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DECEMBER 14 | 10:30 AM

Join us to celebrate the holidays! We will have a Holiday Traditions Panel, fun games, pizza lunch and much more.

REGISTRATION & PAYMENT: Register with Sarita by December 7 at 224-520-9763. Cash or check payment accepted. Checks made payable to "Schaumburg Township". Drop off or mail to:

Schaumburg Township Deaf Services

Attn: Sarita Phadke

One Illinois Blvd.

Hoffman Estates, IL 60169

MENU: SMALL THIN CRUST PIZZA (no salad) - Cheese (\$11); Sausage (\$13); Spinach (\$13)

DEEP DISH BOX MEAL (pizza + salad) - Spinach (\$14); Sausage (\$14)

OTHER - Penne Pasta Box Meal (salad included) meat or marinara sauce - \$14

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THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION

Join us for "Thanksgiving Celebration" on Wednesday, November 16, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Schaumburg Township.



We will have a catered Thanksgiving feast.

Menu: Roasted natural turkey with cornbread stuffing, tossed garden salad with assorted dressings, classic mashed potatoes with gravy, green bean casserole, cranberry sauce, rolls, dessert and water.

Cost: \$23 per person. Deadline: November 9. Either drop off money at the Township or mail a check (payable to Schaumburg Township) to Sarita Phadke, Schaumburg Township Deaf Services, One Illinois Blvd., Hoffman Estates, IL 60169.

There will be fun games. After lunch, we will have an educational presentation, "How to deal with Holiday Stress", given by a Deaf Therapist from Anixter Center Mental Health Services, Lisa Lewis. Holidays can be a stressful time of the year. Lisa will explain with tips as to how to cope with stress from upcoming holidays (Thanksgiving, Hannukah, Christmas, Kwanzaa, and New Year).

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CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD & HOLIDAYS OF LIGHT TOUR

Tuesday, November 29, 10 a.m.

\$14 per person (cash or check payable to Schaumburg Township)

Register & Payment Due: November 9

Explore rich holiday traditions of cultures from around the world at Chicago Science & Industry Museum. There will be a 45-foot-tall Grand Tree surrounded by more than 50 trees and displays decorated by volunteers from Chicago area communities. Come and have an one-of-a-kind experience of a world of holiday joy! Also, we will visit other exhibits such as Science Storms, Mirror Maze, Transportation/Ships galleries, Yesterday's Main Street, and much more. We will have lunch at the museum. Lunch is at your own expenses.



Other Information:

- ◆ Transportation: Will be on your own. Meet us at the Museum, 5700 S. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago at 10 a.m.
- ◆ Parking at the museum is \$22 per vehicle. You may want to carpool with friends. Parking location details will be given after you purchase the museum tour.

INSTANT POT COOKING CLASS



Thursday, November 10, 5:30 p.m.

\$10 per person

Register and Payment Due: November 4

Come and learn how to make two items using the Instant Pot! Kate Kubey will make delicious yogurt and cheesecake and also explain basic instructions on how to use the Instant Pot for beginners. Please come after your supper, so you can eat these yummy desserts. This class is limited to 20 people.

DEAF SOCIAL/SUPPORT GROUP: HALLOWEEN PICTURES

The Halloween Celebration was very entertaining. Attendees came in Halloween spirits! Barbara Fairwood and Christina Galpern won the best costumes! Thank you to all volunteers for making this event enjoyable!



Winter is around the corner. Here are some safety tips:

- Wear warmly in loose-fitting, layered clothes, hat, mittens and boots if you go out. Cover your mouth with a scarf to protect your lungs.
- Pay attention to any travel warnings and avoid icy roads. If you walk on ice and snow, be a "penguin".
- Seal drafts from doors/windows. Close off unused rooms.
- Keep the gas tank full to avoid freezing the fuel line.
- Have emergency supplies in your car and home (water, no-cook food, first-aid kit, medicines, shovel, cell phone, flashlight/batteries, blanket, emergency flares, etc.).

HOLIDAY EVENTS



December 3: **Swoboda Deaf Center (SDC)** will host their Winter Deaf Festival where you can shop for handmade gifts by Deaf artists just in time for the holidays. This event will be held at SDC, 7050 W. Belmont Avenue, Chicago, 10am to 6pm. Highlights are: Special holiday drinks, Kids' Korner holiday crafts and Deaf Santa Claus, raffle prizes and much more. Admission (including one free drink): \$5 if you wear ugly sweater; \$10 if no ugly sweater; free for children age 7 and younger.

December 7: **Joliet Deaf Senior Citizens** will host their Christmas Party at Croatia Cultural Club, 1503 Clement Street in Joliet, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be a buffet style luncheon and a cash bar. Cost: \$30 per person (No refunds after November 18). Deadline: November 18. RSVP is required and mail a check (payable to J.D.S.C. to Rita Niesluchowski, 3418 Cleary Avenue, Joliet, IL 60431. For more information, call 815-768-2541.

December 8: **Rockford Senior Citizens Christmas Party:** This party will be held at Center for Sight and Hearing, 8038 Macintosh Lane, Rockford, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Lunch will be at noon. Cost: \$20 per person. Send a check to: Tina Wendler, 1985 S. Weldon Road, Winnebago, IL 61088.

December 18: **Holiday Luncheon hosted by Chicagoland Seniors (CDS):** There will be a family-style Holiday Luncheon at Manzo's Banquet, 1571 South Elmhurst Road, Des Plaines, 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cost: \$35 per member; \$40 per non-member. Send a check (payable to Chicago Deaf Seniors) CDS, 407 W. Clarendon Street, Prospect Heights, IL 60070-1403. Deadline: December 10.

SOCIAL SERVICES

FRIENDLY REMINDER

Medicare Part C and D Open Enrollment

It is important to know that the deadline is December 7 to review, change, join or cancel Part C or D plans. Any changes to your plans will be in effect January 1, 2023. Sarita Phadke can assist you with information/assistance with enrollment or solving issues with a current plan. If you need assistance, please call 224-520-9763 for an appointment.

Benefits Access Program

It is not too late to apply for Benefits Access Program (Seniors & Persons with Disabilities Free Ride, Free Transits and License Plate Discount). The deadline is December 31. For more information about the program/requirements or an appointment to apply/renew, please call 224-520-9763.

2023 SOCIAL SECURITY/MEDICARE BENEFITS

Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) beneficiaries will receive an 8.7% COLA (Cost-of-Living Adjustments) for 2023.

- SSI - \$914 (individual); \$1,371 (couple)
- SSI Resource Limits - \$2,000 (individual); \$3,000 (couple)
- Substantial Gainful Activity - \$1,470 (non-blind); \$2,460 (blind)
- Trial Period - \$1,050

Other Information: Another good news is that Medicare premiums are going down.

- Medicare Part B Monthly Premium - \$164.90
- Annual Deductible (Part B) - \$226

iPAD and iPHONE LOAN PROGRAM



Illinois Telecommunications Access Corporation (ITAC) added a new equipment— iPad for Deaf applicants only. There is a choice to pick either iPhone or iPad. Both are in the loan program. Please call 224-520-9763 for more information or to apply for either iPhone or iPad.

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COFFEE CHAT AND BINGO GAMES

Coffee Chat: Tuesdays, 9:30– 11:30 a.m.

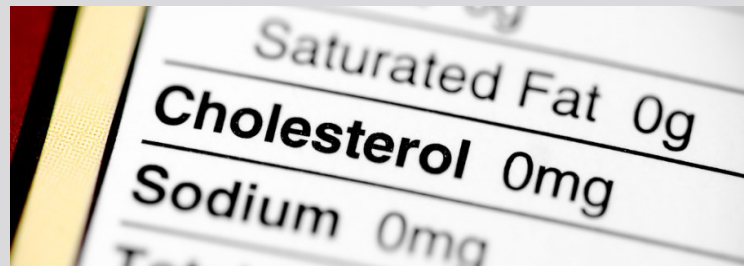
- November 8
- December 6 & 20

Bingo Games: Tuesdays, 1–3 p.m.

- November 15 & 22
- December 13 & 27

New Change: Both Coffee Chat and Bingo Games will be held on Tuesdays via Zoom. Please RSVP. Zoom ID and passcode will be given.

HEALTH PRESENTATION



Tuesday, December 13, 10 a.m.

FREE. Register By: December 8

Our Nurse Janet will talk about Cholesterol. You will learn what Cholesterol is and how you can manage it. An ASL interpreter will be provided. This presentation will be held in Room 310.

AFTERNOON AT THE MOVIES



"A Quiet Place"

Friday, November 18, 1 p.m.

FREE. Register By: November 14

A Horror movie about a Deaf girl and her hearing family who have to stay quiet on a remote farm to avoid attracting dark forces.

"A Quiet Place Part II"

Friday, December 2, 1 p.m.

FREE. Register By: November 28

Complimentary popcorn and water. Limit to 25 people. Board Room door opens at 12:30 p.m.

TOWNSHIP NEWS

We offer Township news in many ways:

- ◆ Check out our bimonthly newsletters on www.schaumburgtownship.org
- ◆ Follow us on Facebook at Township of Deaf Services @TOSDeafServices and Schaumburg Township at @SchaumburgTownship for all the latest up-to-date information.
- ◆ We offer news via email. Please sign up on www.schaumburgtownship.org



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HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

Schaumburg Township will be closed on the following dates in observance of Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year holidays:

- ◆ November 24 & 25 - Closed
- ◆ December 23 - Closed
- ◆ December 26 - Closed
- ◆ January 2, 2023 - Closed

Have a safe and wonderful holiday season!

TOWNSHIP ELECTED OFFICIALS



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