



DEAF LINE

NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2023

DEAF SOCIAL/SUPPORT GROUP - HOLIDAY CELEBRATION



DECEMBER 13, 10 A.M. - 3 P.M.

Join us to celebrate the festive holidays! We will have fun games, holiday signed songs, pizza lunch, and much more.

MENU:

PERSONAL THIN CRUST PIZZA - Cheese (\$13); Sausage (\$15); Spinach (\$15)

PERSONAL DEEP DISH PIZZA - Spinach (\$14); Sausage (\$14)

(The pizza order includes garden side salad). Bring your own drinks.

Please bring some cookies to share with friends on your table. It will be fun sharing with friends.

REGISTRATION & PAYMENT: Deadline: December 6. Cash or check payment (payable to Schaumburg Township) accepted. Drop off or mail to: Schaumburg Township Deaf Services, Attn: Sarita Phadke, One Illinois Blvd., Hoffman Estates, IL 60169

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Call 224-520-9763 or email sphadke@schtwn.org to register.

THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION

Join us for Thanksgiving Celebration on Wednesday, November 15, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. We will have a catered Thanksgiving feast, fun games, word bingo games, raffles, and much more.

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

For dietary needs, please contact Sarita.

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



DEAF AWARENESS MONTH



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VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

<p>VP BINGO</p> <p>Mondays, 9 -10:30 a.m.</p> <p>* November 6 & 20</p> <p>* December 11 & 18</p> <p>Limited spots. First come, first served.</p>	<p>ZOOM BINGO</p> <p>Mondays, 1 - 3 p.m.</p> <p>* November 13 & 27</p> <p>* December 11 & 18</p> <p>Please RSVP for this event. Zoom ID and passcode will be given.</p>	<p>ZOOM COFFEE CHAT</p> <p>3rd Thursday of the month, 1- 3 p.m.</p> <p>* November 16</p> <p>* December 7</p> <p>We will have conversations, and trivia. Please RSVP. Zoom ID and passcode will be given.</p>
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Good news! There will be Diabetes Support Group for the Deaf on November 28th at 10 a.m. in Room 210. There will be no meeting in December. Stay tuned for 2024 dates for Diabetes Support Group.

WINTER SAFETY TIPS



- * Wear hat, hood, or scarf as most heat is lost through the head.
 - * Wear layers of clothing as they provide better insulation and warm.
 - * Keep the gas tank full to avoid ice in the tank and fuel lines.
 - * Have emergency supplies in your car and home (water/ food, first-aid kit, flashlight, cell phone, charger, batteries, medicines, etc).
 - * Avoid non-essential travel when there is a weather advisory issued.
 - * If you walk on ice and snow, be a "penguin."
- Visit www.cdc.gov/disasters/winter/index.html

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HEALTH PRESENTATIONS

Learning about the health education helps you to learn a healthy lifestyle, helps you understand your body and how it works, and enhances the quality of life.



Come and learn about health information given by Nurse Janet. ASL interpreter will be available.

What is cortisol and what role does it play in our body?

Tuesday, November 14, 10 a.m.

FREE. Please register by November 9

Handling Holiday Stress

Tuesday, December 12, 10 a.m.

FREE. Please register by December 8

Both presentations will be held in Room 310.

BREAKFAST/LUNCH SOCIAL

Join us for a fun and delightful breakfast/lunch social and have conversations and laughs. Enjoy great food while supporting the local restaurants. Separate checks available.

Thursday, November 9, 11 a.m.

Please RSVP by November 5

Maxfield's Pancake House

700 E. Schaumburg Road, Schaumburg, IL

(Offers both breakfast and lunch menus)

Thursday, December 14, 11 a.m.

Please RSVP by December 8

Schaumburg Public House,

1551 N. Thoreau Drive, Schaumburg, IL

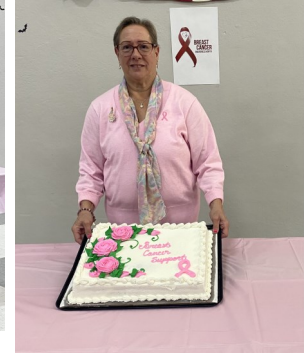
(Lunch only)



EVENT PICTURES

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS/HALLOWEEN EVENT

What an amazing and inspiring event! Panelists shared their incredible stories of breast cancer survival, courage and inspiration. Great thanks to Denise Van Thyne for cakes and pens for everyone. Also, thanks to Sheila Hartigan for valuable materials and Mary Jo Tiesman for Halloween candies.



FIELD TRIP TO POLISH MUSEUM



What a fabulous tour at The Polish Museum of America in Chicago! The museum has lots of beautiful artwork, sculptures, photos and books! Tour guides were excellent and passionate about Poland and its history. Everyone had a blast!



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 place will be in effect January 1, 2024. If you need assistance, please contact Sarita: 224-520-9763 for an appointment or more questions.

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, 2023. For more information about the program/ requirements or an appointment to apply/ renew, please call 224-520-9763.

LIHEAP PROGRAM

The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) helps eligible low-income households pay for home energy services. As of now, households with a senior (60+), persons with a disability and families with children under 6 can apply for benefits. Beginning November 1, households disconnected from one or both utilities can apply. Beginning December 1, all other Cook County residents can apply for benefits. For more information, income eligibility, or an appointment, please call 847-285-4541.

2024 SOCIAL SECURITY/MEDICARE BENEFITS

More than 71 million Americans will see a 3.2% increase in their Social Security benefits and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments in 2024.

- * SSI - \$943 (individual); \$1,415 (couple)
- * SSI Resource Limits - \$2,000 (individual); \$3,000 (couple)
- * Substantial Gainful Activity - \$1,550 (non-blind); \$2,590 (blind)

Other Information:

- * Medicare Part B Monthly Premium - \$174.70
- * Annual Deductible (Part B) - \$240



HOLIDAY EVENTS



December 3: **West Suburban Association of the Deaf (WSAD) GOLD** will host their 14th Annual Holiday Luncheon at Pescatore Restaurant and Banquet, 3400 N. River Road, Franklin Park, IL, 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be an Italian family style lunch, cash and door prizes and much more. Cost: \$42 per person by October 31; \$47 per person (between November 1 and 19). No refunds after November 19. For more information or vegetarian meal request, please contact Marilyn: okabewink49@gmail.com or 630-478-9041 VP.

December 6: **Joliet Deaf Senior Citizens** will host their Holiday Luncheon 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 20). Deadline: November 20. RSVP is required and mail a check (payable to JDSC to Rita Niesluchowski, 3418 Cleary Avenue, Joliet, IL 60431. For more information, call 815-768-2541 or 708-572-6682.

December 9: **Swoboda Deaf Center (SDC)** will host their 2nd Winter Deaf Festival at SDC, 7050 W. Belmont Avenue, Chicago. There will be festive food, holiday market, Frosty's Village, and much more. Check SDC's website and Facebook for event updates.

December 10: **McHenry County Deaf Club (MCDC)** will host their Holiday event at Biaggi's Ristorante Italiano, 20569 N. Rand Road, Deer Park, IL, 11am to 3pm. There will be family-style luncheon, door prizes/raffles. Cost: \$40 (members); \$50 (non-members). RSVP/Payment by November 27. Mail your payment to MCDC, P.O. Box 14, Round Lake Beach, IL 60073.

December 17: **Chicagoland Seniors (CDS)** will host their holiday luncheon at Manzo's Banquet, 1571 South Elmhurst Road, Des Plaines, 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be a family-style Holiday Luncheon and a cash bar. Cost: \$40 by December 3; \$45 by December 10. Deadline: December 10. No refunds. Send a check (payable to Chicago Deaf Seniors) CDS, 407 W. Clarendon Street, Prospect Heights, IL 60070-1403.



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HOLIDAY CLOSINGS AND WISHES

Schaumburg Township will be closed on the following dates:

- * November 23 & 24 - Thanksgiving Holidays
- * December 22 & 25 - Christmas Holidays
- * January 1, 2024 - Happy New Year

**Happy Holidays from all of us at
Schaumburg Township!**

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