



DEAF LINE

NEWSLETTER

MARCH AND APRIL 2024

DEAF SOCIAL/SUPPORT GROUP



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Wednesday, March 20, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Community Recreation Center (CRC), Room # 2122 (Excellence Room), 505 N. Springinsguth Road, Schaumburg

Registration Deadline: March 14, 2024

Activities:

- * Wear green clothes for fun!
- * Fun games including Bingo and Trivia
- * Bring your own lunch and drinks



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Wednesday, April 17, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Trickster Cultural Center, 190 S. Roselle Road, Schaumburg

Registration Deadline: April 11, 2024

Activities:

- * Let us celebrate Deaf Parents Day (Mother Father Deaf Day). We will have CODAs to share their experiences with their Deaf parents.
- * Fun games and trivia
- * Bring your own lunch and drinks

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

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

BREAKFAST SOCIAL

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

Thursday, March 14, 9:30 a.m.

Please RSVP by March 11

Checkers Pancake House,
506 W. Wise Road, Schaumburg, IL

Thursday, April 11, 9:30 a.m.

Please RSVP by April 5

Sweet Orange Pancake House & Café
933 S. Roselle Road, Schaumburg, IL

COOKING CLASS

Monday, April 15, 5 p.m.

Location: CRC, Excellence Room # 2122,
505 S. Springinsguth Road, Schaumburg

\$10 (cash only)

Register and payment by: April 8

Genny Bright will demonstrate one appetizer and one dessert:

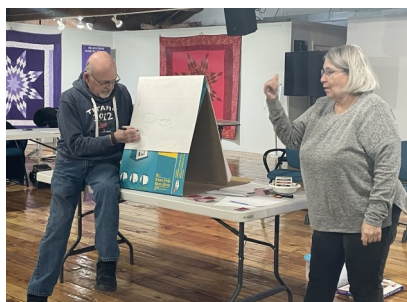
* Artichoke Dip

* Toffee Squares

Tortellini Spinach Salad will be served. Recipes will be handed out. Registration with payment is first come, first served. Limited to 20 people. Bring your own drinks.

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Deaf Social/Support Group was entertaining at a new location—Trickster Cultural Center. Great appreciation to Trickster Center for the usage of their beautiful facility while our GYM is closed for the major renovation.



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DEAF TAX DAY

This year's Deaf Tax Day will be Wednesday, March 20. Limited appointments will be available at 9am, 10am, 11am and noon. Taxpayers must have all their tax documents ready before scheduling an appointment. ASL interpreters will be provided. Individuals who have purchased or sold digital currency, have business returns, depreciation, and income from rental properties or S corporations are not eligible for AARP Tax-Aide assistance. Taxpayers with appointments scheduled will need to pick up an envelope of information and forms to be completed before their appointment from Disability & Senior Services. Each year, the Township partners with the AARP Foundation to provide FREE income tax assistance. AARP Tax-Aide seeks to assist low-to-moderate-income taxpayers file their state and federal returns at no cost. Please contact Sarita to get a list of required documents, for more questions or an appointment.



DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP

Diabetes Support Group for the Deaf will be held on March 26 and April 23 at Schaumburg Township, Board Room. Please RSVP one week before each month.

VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

VP BINGO	ZOOM BINGO	ZOOM COFFEE CHAT
Mondays, 9 -10:30 a.m.	Mondays, 1 - 3 p.m.	3rd Tuesday of the month, 1- 3 p.m.
* March 18 & 25	* March 11 & 25	* March 19
* April 1 & 22	* April 8 & 29	* April 16
Limited spots. First come, first served.	Please RSVP for this event. Zoom ID and passcode will be given.	We will have conversations, and trivia. Please RSVP. Zoom ID and passcode will be given.

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK: APRIL 21– 27, 2024

This is a great opportunity to recognize and thank Deaf and Hard of Hearing volunteers for their great contributions, impact, and energy to serve the community in 2023. They helped with Deaf Social/Support Group, leading the virtual bingo/coffee chats, planning for events, and doing other projects. Special appreciation to Illinois Telecommunications Access Corporation (ITAC) and West Suburban Association of the Deaf (WSAD) 50+ for their generous donations.

Mary Ball

Christina Galpern

Andrew & Carol Ban

Kate & Mark Kubey

Charles & Genevieve Bright

Annette Langston

Debbie Davis

Anil Phadke

Terry DeBoer

Eileen Rozborski

Jane & Joseph Delulio



To all volunteers, your help is sincerely appreciated. You are the BEST!



EVENT PICTURES

DEAF SOCIAL/SUPPORT GROUP– HOLIDAY CELEBRATION

Everyone had a wonderful time at the Deaf Social/Support Group in December. Great appreciation to ITAC for sponsoring our event! Hand waving to all volunteers for their dedication and effort to entertain everyone!



SOCIAL SERVICES

EXTRA HELP

Extra Help is a program that covers Medicare drug coverage (Part D) costs for people with limited income and resources. If you qualify, you will pay \$0 for your Medicare drug plan premium and deductible. Also, you will have a reduced amount of both generic and brand-name drugs. To qualify, your annual income must be below \$21,870 (individual) or \$29,580 (married couple), and your assets must be below \$16,600 (individual) or \$33,240 (married couple). To learn more about this program, contact either Sarita at 224-520-9763 or SSA office at 800-772-1213. In addition, you can visit www.ssa.gov/extrahelp.

BENEFIT ACCESS PROGRAM

The Benefit Access Program (BAP) offers a license plate discount and Seniors and Persons with Disabilities Ride Free Transit Cards.

Eligibility Requirements:

- * Age 65 years or older or 16 years or older and permanently disabled before January 1.
- * Must live in Illinois at the time you file your application.
- * Income: \$33,562 (1 person); \$44,533 (2 persons); \$55,500 (3 persons)

If you apply before April 18, you should bring your 2022 income to file. Applications submitted on April 19 or after must use 2023 income to file. If your application was denied using 2022 income, you may re-apply with your 2023 income on or after April 19, 2024. FYI: Those who qualify for BAP will only pay \$10 for their sticker. Only one discount per household per year is allowed. If you need to renew or apply (first-time applicants), call for an appointment: 224-520- 9763.



DEAF EVENTS

DEAF PARENTS DAY

April 28 marks an important celebration –“Deaf Parents Day” (formerly Mother Father Deaf Day). It is a special day for Children of Deaf Adults (CODA) to celebrate the unique heritage and multicultural identities with Deaf parents. Join us for a CODA Panel Discussion at the April Deaf Social/Support Group. See the front page for more information.



CHICAGO CLUB OF THE DEAF

Did you know that Chicago Club of the Deaf (CCD) is one of the few Deaf clubs in USA? It was founded on March 18, 1942. CCD hosts general meetings, events, and card games. The general meeting dates are: March 23, May 18, September 28 and November 23. After the meetings, there will be a social event. CCD also hosts their annual Children Christmas Party on December 14. All events will be held in Swoboda Deaf Center (SDC), 7050 W. Belmont Avenue, Chicago.

For more information including membership, please visit www.chicagoclubdeaf.org or email: chicagoclubdeaf.info@gmail.com

IDHHC NEEDS YOUR INPUT

The Illinois Deaf and Hard of Hearing Commission (IDHHC) is seeking survey input from members of the diverse communities, stakeholders, and all individuals with hearing losses who live in Illinois. The purpose is to hear your concerns, opinions, issues, and barriers you encounter to help develop the strategic plans and priorities. IDHHC needs your help to do the survey. Here is the link to the survey: <https://idhhc.illinois.gov/media/videos/strategic-plan-and-priorities.html> and then click: Survey Form

If you need help with the survey, contact IDHHC at 217-303-8010 VP.



DEAFOPIA EXPO

Deafopia Expo will be held on March 30, 2024, 10am to 5pm, at UIC Student Center East, 750 S. Halsted Street, Chicago. There will be vendors with a variety of services and Deaf businesses. Parking is available across the center (760 W. Taylor Street) for \$9 all day. Free admission. Please register online: www.deafopia.com



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HEALTH PRESENTATIONS

Learning about health education helps you to learn a healthy lifestyle, helps you understand your body and how it works, and enhances your quality of life. Come and learn about health information given by Nurse Janet. ASL interpreter will be available.

10 Common Symptoms Women Should Not Ignore

Tuesday, March 12, 10 a.m.

FREE. Please register by March 7: 224-520-9763

Aging in Place (Guest Speakers)

Tuesday, April 9, 10 a.m.

FREE. Please register by April 5: 224-520-9763

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