

SCHAUMBURG TOWNSHIP DEAF SERVICES



DEAF LINE

APRIL, 2003



Schaumburg Township Deaf Services will host an Educational Workshop for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

“Investment Risk: Don’t Avoid it – Manage it”
by
Tanya Hammersmith

Wednesday, April 30, 2003
7 to 9 p.m.

Schaumburg Township, Room # 114
One Illinois Blvd., Hoffman Estates, IL

Tanya Hammersmith, who is Deaf, is a Registered Representative. Tanya will explain:

- What is Investment Risk? Types of Investment Risk?
- Investments that carry each risk?
- Match personal goals with investments and risk levels
- Risk Management Strategies

Admission is FREE! **RSVP is required by April 29th** - contact Sarita Phadke at 847-884- 1560 TTY, 847-884-0039 Fax or sphadke@schaumburgtownship Email.



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"Rules of the Road" (Review Course)

By

Randy Ramey

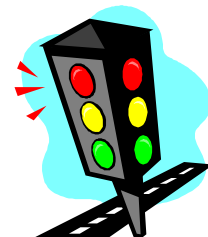
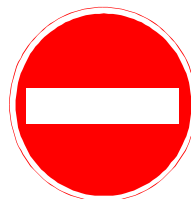
Monday, April 21, 2003

1 – 3 p.m.

**Schaumburg Township, Board Room (Room 310)
One Illinois Blvd., Hoffman Estates, IL**

Randy Ramey, an instructor from the Illinois Secretary of State office, will be talking about the Illinois Rules of the Road course offered by the Secretary of State. He will answer questions pertaining to driver's license testing and requirements. A sign language interpreter will be provided.

- Admission is FREE!
- There will be time for questions/answers.
- **RSVP is required by April 16th** - Contact Sarita Phadke at 847-884-1560 TTY, 847-884-0039 Fax or sphadke@schaumburgtownship.org Email.



NEWS FROM SCHAUMBURG TOWNSHIP

- Schaumburg Township's Annual Town Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 8, 2003, in the Activity Center. It will include the final public hearing on the Road and Bridge budget at 7 p.m. The Town & General Assistance public hearings will be at 7:15 p.m., followed by the Special Board Meeting at 7:45 p.m. The Annual Town meeting will begin at 8 p.m. The public is encouraged to attend and a sign language interpreter will be provided. For more information, contact Sarita Phadke at 847-884-1560 TTY.
- A bill, sponsored by State Representative Paul Froehlich (Schaumburg Township's Assessor), has been introduced in the Illinois House to add disabled homeowners to the Senior Freeze program. If the bill is enacted, Illinois citizens with disabilities whose incomes fall below \$40,000 a year would qualify for a freeze on their property assessment. A freeze in assessment translates into stable or declining property taxes.
- The emergency light bulb is free to Schaumburg Township's disabled and senior households. This special light bulb, **Emergency Beacon**, is used as a regular outdoor light bulb but if needed, can also flash in an emergency by flipping the switch twice. It can notify neighbors of an emergency and will help to pinpoint the location of the home for police, fire, and rescue personnel. It is not used in place of a 911 call for help. For more information, call 847-884-1560 TTY or 847-884-0030 V. This special light bulb is available in both the Senior and Disability Departments.

JOB FAIR FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

The North Suburban Council On Employment for People with Disabilities (NSCEPD) will have a Job Fair on May 1st, 9 a.m. to Noon, at the Crystal Palace, 2648 Dempster in Park Ridge, IL. Sign language interpreters will be available. For more information, call 847-297-2510 Voice or 847-297-1336 TTY.

FREE WEB CAM!

The use of Video Relay Service (VRS) has been growing. This service allows you to use American Sign Language (ASL) to make relay calls from home or work with a computer. It is a great way to keep in touch with hearing family members, friends and coworkers.

Illinois Sprint Relay is offering a FREE web cam to all qualifying Deaf and Hard of Hearing residents of Illinois. Take advantage of this offer and make video relay calls at no cost, 24-hours a day/7days a week. To qualify for a free web cam (one per household), you need the following:

- High speed Internet access (DSL, cable modem, T-1, or ISDN) and be able to provide proof of your high speed Internet access.
- A computer with the following things:
 - 600 MHZ or above
 - 124 MB System RAM and above
 - 16 Video MB
 - Microsoft Window 98 and u
 - Computers (AMD Athlon, Intel Pentium III and/or IV)
- Residency in Illinois

For more information, contact Bill Stricklen, Illinois' Sprint Account Manager, at 1-877-698-5520 TTY or William.k.stricklen@mail.sprint.com Email.

** Web cams are available on a limited time, first come first serve basis.

MOTHER FATHER DEAF DAY

Sunday, April 27, 2003, is **Mother Father Deaf Day**, as the Children of Deaf Adults (CODA) are honoring their Deaf parents and recognizing the gifts of culture and language they receive from them.

TTY TOLL-FREE NUMBER

There is a new TTY toll-free number for the Access Community Health Network: **1-800-585-3387**. Most of the health sites are in Chicago except those in the Suburban Cook County such as Maywood, Cicero, Chicago Heights & Summit. You can get information on this organization, location of 28 sites, Access Deaf Services and other programs.

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK (April 27 – May 3, 2003)

Valuable in more ways than words can say,
Optimistic and helpful every day,
Lending support with a heart-warming smile,
Unselfishly going the extra mile,
Notable for all the work you do,
Trusted because we can count on you,
Effective in all you undertake,
Esteemed for the difference that you make,
Ready to serve in so many ways,
Special and deserving of our praise!

Schaumburg Township Disability Services has volunteers helping our disabled residents year round. Deaf Services salutes the following volunteers who have given generously of their time during 2002 to serve the needs of the community by volunteering to grocery shop for a Deaf senior couple, assembling Deaf Line newsletters, and helping out during the picnic, holiday parties and meetings.

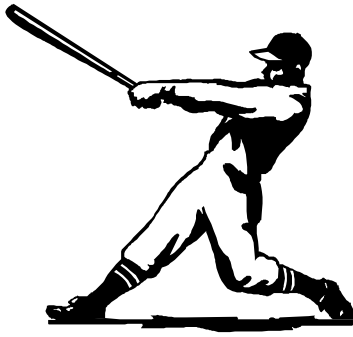
Jenny Bratanch
Annie Brown
John Czajka
Jan Dubberley
Jane Duffney
Kim Gratzke

Vicki Lynn Gratzke
Karen Jannusch
Anil Phadke
Trisha Phadke
Eileen Rozborski
Diane Wilson

Rick Axelrod and Clients from Behavioral Health Services at Advocate Illinois
Masonic Medical Center, Chicago

Thank you, Volunteers!

Schaumburg Township is always looking for volunteers to do a variety of duties like folding newsletters and flyers, helping during the events/parties, and much more. You can volunteer a few hours per month. If you would like to volunteer, contact Kitty Molander, Volunteer Coordinator, at 847-884-0030, ext. 2022 Voice, 847-884-1560 TTY, 847-884-0039 Fax or kmolander@schaumburgtownship.org Email.



Deaf Day at the Schaumburg Flyers Game

The Blackwell School in Schaumburg and Schaumburg Township Deaf Services invite the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Community to a Deaf Day at the Schaumburg Flyers Baseball game. Deaf, Hard of Hearing & Hearing students from Blackwell School will have an exciting opportunity to sign and sing the National Anthem.

The game will be held on Tuesday, June 10, 2003, and will start at 7:05 p.m., at the Alexian Field, 1999 Springinsguth Road, Schaumburg, IL.

The cost for the tickets is \$7 per person/child over 3 years. Kids under 3 are free. If you are interested, send a check (payable to Blackwell School) to Schaumburg Township Deaf Services, Attn: Sarita Phadke, One Illinois Blvd., Hoffman Estates, IL 60194. The deadline is May 12th. After May 12th, you can contact the Schaumburg Flyers office directly at 847-891-2255 Voice for tickets. It will cost \$8 and there will be no guarantee of seating in the Deaf section.

For more information or questions, contact Sarita Phadke at 847/884-1560 TTY or sphadke@schaumburgtownship.org Email or Joann Kort at Blackwell School at JoannKort@sd54.k12.il.us Email.



(Tear off and return this with a check)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Amount Enclosed (\$7 per ticket): _____

(Tickets will be mailed to you prior to the game)

Come & Support Deaf Day.... Enjoy yourself!!!

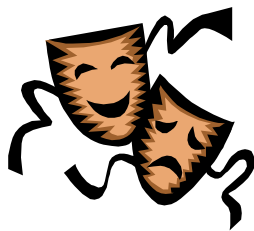
SUMMER CAMPS FOR THE DEAF & HARD OF HEARING

- **Drama Camp for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing:** Sponsored by the Illinois School for the Deaf and the CenterLight Theatre for students in Grades 8 to 10. There is a \$35 fee for theatrical material and a camp t-shirt.
- **Sports Camp:** Sponsored by the Illinois School for the Deaf; It is limited to the first 30 students in grades 5 to 8. There is a \$10 fee to cover the cost of a camp t-shirt.

Both camps above will be held June 15th to 20th at the Illinois School for the Deaf (ISD) in Jacksonville, IL. For an application, contact Wendy Daniel, Athletic Director, at 217-479-4214 V/TTY; 217-479-4244 Fax; dhsrspb@dhs.state.il.us (Email).

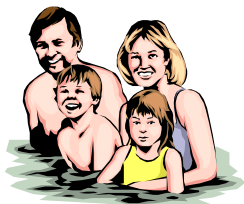
- **Camp Lions**– Will be held at various places: East Bay, near Bloomington, Dixon, and DuBois, IL. The camps are for Vision & Hearing Impaired: Helen Keller Adult Camp ages 18 and up (June 15-21); Hearing Impaired Camp ages 7-17 (June 22-28); those aged 7-17 (July 6-12 and July 13-20); those aged 7-17 (July 27-August 2); V.I. aged 7-17 (August 3-9). All camps offer horseback riding, swimming, archery, water sports, hiking, arts & crafts, cookouts and other activities. There is no cost, but a refundable deposit of \$25 is required. The application deadline is May 30th. For more information, call Alan Wilson of the Lions of Illinois Foundation at 1-800-955-5466 V or 1-800-933-3937 TTY.
- **Indiana Deaf Camps Foundation** – There are three different camps for Deaf & Hard of Hearing Children, Teens and Families. These will be held at the Camp Alexander Mack on a beautiful Lake Waukee, Indiana. The registration deadline is June 13th. For more information, call 317-846-3404, ext. 305 V; 317-571-4258 TTY; deafcamps@hotmail.com Email. You can view www.deafcamps.org
- **Holley Family Village** – Located in a beautiful country setting on a lake in Brooklyn, Michigan. There are camp sessions for Deaf and Hard of Hearing children, Hearing siblings, Deaf children with one or more disabilities and families. For more information, call 517-592-2389 TTY or 517-592-8218 V/Fax. Check www.desales.org.

- **Camp Sign** – The Chicago Hearing Society in cooperation with the Chicago Park District offers summer day camp program for Deaf and Hard of Hearing students. For more information, June Prusak at 773-248-9174 TTY.
- **Camp Mark 7** - Camp Mark 7, located in Old Forge, NY, offers many diverse programs for Deaf, Hard of Hearing and Hearing individuals of all ages. There are several programs – June 29 - July 11 for Deaf Youth (ages 12 - 16); July 13 - 25 for Deaf Children (ages 9 - 12); July 20 – 26 for Deaf Youth Discovering Catholic Faith (ages 13-18); July 27 – August 8 for Hearing Youth of Deaf Adults (ages 12 - 16); August 10 – 22 for Hearing Children of Deaf Adults (ages 9 - 12). There are also programs for adults and senior citizens such as Silent Week, Family Week & ElderCamp. For more information, call 585-381-5930 TTY/Fax (Until May). After that, call 315-357-6089 TTY/V; 315-357-6403 FAX. Check the website: www.campmark7.org.
- **NAD Youth Leadership Camp (YLC)** – This camp is for Deaf & Hard of Hearing students (9th-11th grades). The camp offers leadership skills, team building, outdoor activities and group dynamics and also focuses on literacy, social studies, health, drama, deaf culture, language, heritage, current issues, & much more. It will be held July 22nd to August 12th, at Camp Taloali in Stayton, Oregon. For fees, deadlines, and information, contact Jennifer Yost, Youth Programs Coordinator, at 301-587-1789 TTY; 301-587-1788 V; 301-587-1791 Fax; Nadyouth@nad.org Email. Check the website: www.nad.org/YLC
- **Aspen Camp School for the Deaf** – There are four summer sessions for those aged 8 to high school – Discovery & Fun, Exploration & Cooperation, Arts & Innovations and Adventure & Leadership. These help build skills and provide quality experiences for personal growth in the areas of responsibility, leadership, decision-making, independence, and self-esteem. For more information, call 970-923-2511 V/Fax; 970-923-6609 TTY; camp@acsd.org Email. Check its website: www.acsd.org



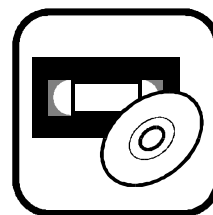
DRAMAS/PLAYS

- Do you want some good laughs? Come and see a one-act comedy play, “**Take Five**” hosted by Hinsdale South High School. This play will be held on Friday, April 11 and Saturday, April 12, 2003, at 7:30 p.m., at the Hinsdale South High School Auditorium, 7410 Clarendon Hills Road, Darien. The cost is \$5 (adults) and \$3 (students). Tickets will be sold at the door. For more information, contact Candy Butler at 630-468-4004 V, 630-468-4033 TTY or Cbutler@hinsdale86.org Email.
- CenterLight Theatre will host an entertaining performance, “**ASL Hour**” where you can learn about American Sign Language (ASL) and Deaf Culture as they interweave the beauty of ASL and spoken English. It will be held on Saturdays, April 12th and 19th, 10:30 a.m., at the Center on Deafness, 3444 Dundee Road, Northbrook, IL. The cost is \$5 per person. For more information, call 847-559-9493 TTY; 847-559-0110 ext.237 Voice.
- Deaf Bailiwick Artists (DBA) will present a play called “**Hamlet Dreams**” featuring Robert Schleifer (Deaf) as Hamlet. There are several Deaf and Hard of Hearing actors/actresses in the play. This play runs through April 19th – Thursdays at 7:30 p.m., Saturdays at 6 p.m. and Sundays at 2:30 p.m. It will be held at Bailiwick Arts Center, 1229 W. Belmont in Chicago. For more information or to find out the ticket prices, call 773-883-1090 Voice or dbailiwick@yahoo.com Email
- CenterLight Theatre will host a play, “**Pinocchio**”, featuring Deaf, Hard of Hearing and Hearing actors/actresses who will perform both in ASL and voice. It will run May 1st through 11th, Fridays at 7:30 p.m., Saturdays at 3 p.m. & 7:30 p.m., and Sundays at 3 p.m. Tickets are: \$10 adults; \$9 seniors/students; \$8 children. . It will be held at the Center on Deafness, 3444 Dundee Road, Northbrook, IL. For more information, call 847-559-9493 TTY; 847-559-0110 ext.237 Voice.



POOL PARTY

The Friends of LICA is hosting a **Pool Party** at the Water Works in Schaumburg on Saturday, April 5, 2003, 1 to 4 p.m. Anyone (Deaf or Hard of Hearing) can attend the swimming party and the cost is \$3 per person. Friends of LICA will subsidize the remaining cost. Be sure to arrive by 12:45 p.m. If you come after 1 p.m., you will have to pay the regular daily fee (\$8 adults; \$6 children). The address at Water Works is 505 N. Springinsguth Road, Schaumburg. RVSP is needed by April 1st – Jane Holtz at 847-808-8253 V/TTY or friendsoflica@lica.k12.il.us Email.



VHS/DVD OF 2002 FESTIVAL OF CINEMA FOR THE DEAF

For the first time, best short films from the first annual Festival of Cinema for the Deaf are available on VHS and DVD. Both VHS & DVD contain festival trailers and footage from the first film festival. The cost for the VHS is \$14.95 and for the DVD is \$18.95. There is no shipping charge. You can order online – www.cinematoforthedeaf.org or mail a check or money order to C.I.M.I., 1610 Highland Avenue, Chicago, IL 60660.

IDARA SCHOLARSHIP OFFER

IDARA is announcing 2003 Beth Krieger-Roer Memorial Academic Scholarship Fund to all high school or post-secondary school students who meet the following criteria:

- Must be a resident of Illinois
- Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Must be in a Deafness-related program as part of their career goals
- Must demonstrate career promise

The deadline is June 1st. For more information or to get an application form, contact Jenifer Montag at 815-753-1694 V/TTY.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

Taste of Gourmet (TOG) will host a Spring Sizzle, which will give more information on becoming a consultant for TOG. TOG has been supportive of the Deaf community and has just released a closed captioned video. TOG has already two Deaf consultants (Jan Dubberley & Rachel Krauss) and one CODA (Children of Deaf Adults) (Lisa Callsen). This event will be held on May 3rd, 9 am to 3 pm, at the Radisson Hotel in Arlington Heights. Interpreters will be available. The registration fee is \$15 including lunch, drinks and gifts. The deadline is April 25th. If interested, or for more information, contact Lisa Callsen at 847-537-5334 V/TTY or carlisa57@attbi.com.

HEALTH CORNER

Stroke is America's #3 killer and a leading cause of severe, long-term disability. About 600,000 people have a stroke every year. Stroke is a medical emergency and you should call 911 immediately if you or someone else has any of the following warning signs:

- Sudden numbness or weakness of the face, arm or leg, especially on one side of the body
- Sudden confusion or trouble speaking or understanding
- Sudden trouble seeing in one or both eyes
- Sudden trouble walking, dizziness, loss of balance or coordination
- Sudden severe headache with no known cause

Learn more about stroke by calling 1-888-478-7653 V or visit the website: www.strokeassociation.org.

The Deaf Line newsletter is free. If you, or someone you know, would like to receive this monthly newsletter, call Sarita Phadke at 847-884-1560 TTY or 847-884-0039 FAX.

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Timothy Heneghan – Trustee

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Jim Litwin – Collector

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DATES TO REMEMBER

- Tuesday, April 1 – **General Election Day**
- Sunday, April 6 – **Daylight Saving Time** begins (Turn your clocks & watches one hour ahead)
- Tuesday, April 8 – **Annual Town Meeting** at SCH TWP, 8 p.m.
- Tuesday, April 15 – **Last day** to file for Income Tax
- Monday, April 21 – **Free “Rules of the Road” Review Course** for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing at SCH TWP, 1 – 3 p.m. (RSVP needed by April 15th – 847-884-1560 TTY)
- Wednesday, April 23 – **Township Board meeting** at SCH TWP, 7:15 p.m.
- Wednesday, April 30 – **“Investment Risk” Workshop** at SCH TWP, 7 p.m. (RSVP needed – Call 847-884-1560 TTY)

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