



DEAF LINE

JULY, 2003



18th Annual Disability Picnic *"COUNTRY WESTERN SYTLE"*

Saturday, August 2, 2003
12 - 3 p.m.

Maple Park
Next to Schaumburg Township

This picnic is for Schaumburg Township residents only. Join us for a day of food, fun, friends, entertainment, bingo and door prizes. Eileen Rozborski will be demonstrating Country Western Line Dancing. A sign language interpreter will be there. Bring lawn chairs. Due to insurance restrictions, pets are not allowed. In case of rain, the picnic will be held at the Schaumburg Township Activity Center.

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED BY JULY 25, 2003. Call the Disability Services Office at 847-884-0030, ext. 2025 V, or 847-884-1560 TTY.



ACCESSCHICAGO 2003 & EMPLOYMENT FAIR

The Chicago Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities (MOPD) is having its **7th Annual AccessChicago Expo 2003**. It will be held Wednesday, July 16, 2003, 12 to 7 p.m., at Navy Pier, 600 E. Grand, Festival Hall A, Chicago. You will find new and innovative products for people with disabilities at the more than 100 disability-related service providers' and vendors' booths. In addition, there will be the **3rd Annual MOPD Employment Fair for People with Disabilities** on the same day and at the same place, which runs from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Leading Chicagoland employers will be on hand to accept resumes from job seekers with disabilities and discuss available positions. There will also be free workshops on employment-related topics from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Social Security Planners will be available to assist SSI and SSDI recipients with individualized and comprehensive benefits and work entitlement screenings. For more information, call 312-744-4964 TTY or 312-744-7071 Voice. Check the website: www.cityofchicago.org/disabilities.

SEPTEMBERFEST RIDES

There will be free Septemberfest carnival rides for disabled children, disabled adults and their families who live in Schaumburg Township, on Saturday, August 30th, from 10 a.m. to noon. The rides are not open to the general public. Reservations are required. Mark your calendar. For more information or for reservation, call 847-884-0030, ext. 2025 V or 847-884-1560 TTY.

FRIENDLY REMINDER

The deadline for applications for the 16th annual community Paint-a-Thon program is July, 2003. This unique project utilizes volunteers to paint the homes of disabled or senior homeowners who are unable to do the work and whose annual income is under \$25,000. This program will be held on Saturday, September 6, 2003. For an application or for more information, call Kitty Molander at 847-884-0030 ext. 2022 Voice or 847-884-1560 TTY.

SPEECH TO SPEECH RELAY

Speech to Speech (STS) Service is one of the new services offered through the Illinois Relay. STS is a phone service that enables people with a speech impairment to speak over the phone with the assistance of a specially trained operator. It is ideal for those who are speech impaired, who have cerebral palsy, muscular dystrophy, multiple sclerosis, or other conditions that may alter speech. All one needs is a regular telephone. The STS relay number is **1-877-526-6690**. You can also use 711 if you mention that the STS service is needed..

How it works? Dial the STS relay number. Give the relay operator the phone number of the person you want to call. The operator listens to the words spoken by the person who is speech impaired and repeats what was said word-for-word. All three parties are able to hear each another during an STS call.

Important Facts: STS is a free service and is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. It is provided for English and Spanish speaking people. STS is not a translation service, so the operators will repeat what is said but they will not translate. If you are interested in a presentation or in-service training at your site, call Bettie Johnson, Speech to Speech Outreach Coordinator of ITAC, at 1-800-841-6167 V/TTY or bjohnson@itactty.org Email.



DEAF RX

There is a Deaf Rx in Canada that provides Deaf and Hard of Hearing American citizens with high quality prescriptions at lower prices. The prescriptions are filled by a licensed Canadian pharmacy. Call **1-888-431-1135 TTY** for more information, questions about your prescription, or to place an order. You can also call 1-888-431-1166 Voice or deafrx@telus.net Email. Check website: www.deafrx.com for more information on price quotes, how to order, order refills, policies, and others.

(Deaf Illinois News, June 14, 2003)

DEAF PICNICS

- Saturday, July 19th – **WSAD Annual Family Day Picnic** hosted by WSAD & Harper ASL Club from 11 a.m. till dusk, at Busse Woods # 12, Elk Grove Village. There will be food & drinks for sale. Check website: www.wsadeaf.org.
- Sunday, July 27th – **Catholic Deaf Picnic**, from 11 a.m. to dusk, at Argonne Park, Darien, IL (3 miles south of I-55). Free admission. There will be a jackpot and refreshments for sale. Pets are not allowed. Rain or Shine! For more information, call Charles Bright at 847-301-2942 TTY or bripogo75@yahoo.com Email.
- Saturday, August 2nd – **Schaumburg Township's 18th Annual Disability Picnic**, from noon to 3 p.m., at Maple Park, One Illinois Blvd., Hoffman Estates, IL. There will be lunch, entertainment, and bingo. RSVP by July 25th – call 847-884-1560 TTY or 884-0030, ext. 2025 Voice.
- Saturday, August 16th – **10th Annual CODA Picnic** at Burning Bush Park District, Mt. Prospect, 12 to 4 p.m. Call Barb Derengowski for more information on costs at 847-836-7232.
- Saturday, August 23rd – **HANDS Picnic**, from noon to dusk. Contact Michelle Mendiolla at melalem19@yahoo.com Email for the location and more information.
- Sunday, August 24th – **Chicagoland Illinois School for the Deaf Alumni Association (CISDAA) Picnic** at Argonne National Park, Darien, on Cass near I-55, 10am till 7 p.m. Rain or Shine! Free admission! There will be food and drinks for sale. No pets, please. For more information, contact Charles Bright at 847-301-2942 TTY.
- Saturday, September 13th – **IAD Annual Family Day** hosted by the Fox Valley & Chicago Chapters of Illinois Association of the Deaf (IAD), at Hawthorne Grove Blackwell Forest Park, Warrenville, 10 a.m. to dusk. Free Admission! For more information, contact Kevin Ryan at wrestkpt42@aol.com Email.

STORYTELLING FESTIVAL

For the first time, the Illinois Storytelling Festival will be held in the fall, instead of the summer. Mark the dates: **September 20 & 21, 2003**. Check www.storytelling.org or contact Liz Bartlow Breslin at elizjb@aol.com Email.

CHS YOUTH ACTIVITIES

The Chicago Hearing Society (CHS) is hosting fun events for Deaf and Hard of Hearing youth and teens.

- **Good Ole Family Day** – Saturday, July 19th, 11:30 a.m. – 4 p.m., at Cypress Cove Pool, 8301 S. Janes Avenue in Woodridge. It is a family day filled with wacky games. The cost is \$9.50 per person at the door and free for children under 2 years.
- **Chicago Fire: Soccer Day Camp** – Is for 3rd to 8th graders. It will be held on Wednesday, July 23rd, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Bring \$5 for lunch. The highlights are: exclusive player autograph session, contests with prizes, and complimentary tickets for the July 26th Fire game.
- **Endless Summer** – A day at the beach will be held on Saturday, August 23rd, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at North Avenue Beach, 1600 N. Avenue, Chicago. But the meeting location is near the boat house (aka Castaway). Family members and friends are welcome. Bring your own food.

For more information, call June Prusak, CHS Youth Program Coordinator, at 773-248-9174 TTY or Jprusak@anixter.org (Email).

FILM PRODUCTION CLASS

The Chicago Filmmakers, in association with the Chicago Institute for the Moving Image (CIMI), will offer a 10-week course, **Film Production I**, this summer with special accommodations for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. This is an introductory course in 16mm filmmaking and will cover camera operation, film stocks, light meter use, and basic editing. Students will get to see the films, discuss the understanding of film language and critique, and learn to create a short film of their own. This course will be held Sundays, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., from July 13th to September 14th plus 4 additional weeks of an editing lab. For special accommodations for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, contact Joshua Flanders at 847-332-2464 V/TTY or joshuaflanders@cimi.ws Email. For more information on cost and location, check the website: www.chicagofilmmakers.org and click on classes and workshops. You can also email them at coop@chicagofilmmakers.org.

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CCE/CAAD TOURNAMENT

Chicago Catholic Ephpheta (CCE) will be hosting its 60th Annual Central Athletic Association of the Deaf (CAAD) Slo-Pitch Softball Tournament on August 1-3, 2003. The headquarters will be the Marriott Inn and the tournament site will be Veteran's Park, both in Schaumburg, IL. There will be a ballroom dance with DJ and entertainment on Saturday night, on August 2, 2003. The deadline for the early bird combo ticket is July 15th. Check the website:

www.deaf-center.org/calendar_at_a_glance.htm and then scroll down to get to the Slo-Pitch Softball Tournament. For more information, contact the chairperson, Charles Bright, at 847-301-2942 TTY or bripogo75@yahoo.com Email.

DEAF & HARD OF HEARING DAY AT SIX FLAGS

The 8th Deaf & Hard of Hearing Day will be held at Six Flags Great America in Gurnee on Saturday, July 12, 2003, from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Tickets are \$23.75 per person. You can buy tickets on the day of the event at the Deaf Event Booth near Guest Relations. There will be interpreters at specific shows at designated times. For more information, contact Chris Majeri at 847-949-4440 TTY or ChrisLCCIL@aol.com (Email).

INTERNET BASICS CLASSES

Carter G. Woodson Regional Library will be having free Internet Basics Classes for anyone who is interested in learning about the Internet. You can choose any of the following dates:

July 1st & 8th, 2003

August 5th & 12th

September 2nd & 9th

All classes begin at 9:30 a.m. and last for about 2 hours. An ASL interpreter will be present at each class and there is no need to sign up. All classes will be held at the library in the Vivian G. Harsh Conference Room, 9525 South Halsted Street, Chicago. For more information, call Lisa Burwell at 312-747-6921 V or LaBurw@netscape.net Email.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

- Friday, July 4 – **Schaumburg Township Closed** due to Independence Day
- Wednesday, July 9 – **Diabetes Support Group** at SCH TWP, 1:30 - 3 p.m. (RSVP needed – Call 847-884-0030 V or 884-1560 TTY)
- Wednesday, July 23 – **Township Board meeting** at SCH TWP, 7:15 p.m.
- Friday, July 25 – **Deadline to RSVP for the Schaumburg Township Disability Picnic For Township Residents only** – Call 847-884-1560 TTY or 847-884-0030 Voice
- Upcoming: **Schaumburg Township Disability Picnic for Township residents** on Saturday, August 2nd, 12 to 3 p.m. RVSP is required. Bring folding chairs.

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