

## SCHAUMBURG TOWNSHIP DISABILITY SERVICES

# ABLEGRAM

May-June 2015

*The Chicago Lighthouse for People Who Are Blind or Visually Impaired presents its:*

## Low Vision Products Road Show

**We're taking our store on the road and everyone is invited!**



The Low Vision Products Road Show welcomes the public to experience state of the art technology such as CCTV, portable reading devices, GPS, and many more including independent living aides, lighting, and even sunwear. Test each product and receive training from our expert staff who can advise on the right tools to improve your daily life.

Absolutely free! Everyone is invited and can come at anytime. Chicago Lighthouse staff will demonstrate, explain and let you try the variety of products available for help with school, work and daily life.



- Independent Living - talking clocks and watches, kitchen items, large button phones and cell phones, sunglasses of all types including the new fit-over models.
- Computer Aids – keyboards, accessibility software, speech to text dictation programs.
- Technology – voice activated GPS, reading devices such as the Intel Reader. The new Synergy CCTV video magnifier in striking natural color. Portable hand-held CCTV magnifiers to read and write anywhere!

### Next show:

Wednesday, June 3rd, 2015  
10:00 am – 3:00 pm  
Schaumburg Township  
One Illinois Blvd.  
Hoffman Estates, IL 60169

### To view products:

[www.chicagolighthouse.org](http://www.chicagolighthouse.org)  
click - shop online

For information or more details  
about future shows call:  
1-800-919-3375 or email:  
[Tom.Perski@chicagolighthouse.org](mailto:Tom.Perski@chicagolighthouse.org)

Reading Solutions  
for the Visually Impaired

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see things. differently.

**The Chicago Lighthouse**  
for People Who Are Blind  
or Visually Impaired





# Explore new products, experience the fun!

**Chicago • June 12-14, 2015**

**Renaissance Schaumburg Convention Center**  
1551 Thoreau Drive North • Schaumburg, IL 60173  
*Friday 11 AM - 5 PM • Saturday 11 AM - 5 PM • Sunday 11 AM - 4 PM*



- **Leading-Edge Products**
- **State-of-the-Art Tech**
- **Assistance Animals**
- **Adaptive Sports**
- **Inclusive Dance**
- **Vital Services**
- **Fun for the Kids**
- **Essentials for Seniors**
- **Info-packed Workshops**

**FREE  
ADMISSION**



**[www.AbilitiesExpo.com](http://www.AbilitiesExpo.com)**  
Register online for priority access



# Cupcakes & Cookies for College

Sunday, May 31st  
1 - 4 pm

Kirk School  
Student Cafeteria  
520 S. Plum Grove Rd.  
Palatine, IL 60067

Join us during Kirk School's Walk and Wheel A-THON, to raise Money for scholarships benefiting adult students with autism and other Developmental Disabilities in the Career Skills Institute and other programs at Harper College and Kirk School's Special Olympics program. Stop by for some tasty treats to raise money for the Students with Developmental Disabilities and have fun!



Entry is free, and cupcakes and cookies will be sold!



## Calling all bakers!



We are looking for volunteers to bake and send in Cupcakes and/or Cookies! Just register to bake online and to find more details.



*Please register online by May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015*

[www.cupcakes2015.weebly.com](http://www.cupcakes2015.weebly.com)

*Register to bake online!*



**Congratulations to  
Micki Coppel  
Disability Services  
Department's  
Volunteer of the Year!**

**SHIP Program**

The Senior Health Insurance Program (SHIP) provides free health insurance counseling services at local sites throughout Illinois. Schaumburg Township is a SHIP site that has several trained counselors who can assist you in anyway with Medicare, Medicaid, and prescription drugs issues. *SHIP does not affiliate with any insurance company and does not sell or solicit any type of insurance.* Please call us at 847-884-0030 for an appointment or for information.

**Free Amplified Telephones**

The Illinois Telecommunications Access Corporation (ITAC) offers free amplified telephones for qualified Illinois residents with a certified hearing loss. Disability Services is a selection center to test the phones. There are four phones to choose from and **every four years you are eligible for an additional free amplified telephone.** Please contact disability services at 847-884-0030 for more information, or for an appointment to test the phones.

**Need Health Insurance? Affordable Care Act (ACA) or Medicaid May Be Your Answer!**

If you are currently uninsured, you may qualify for a special enrollment period to purchase health insurance or qualify for Medicaid. Schaumburg Township has a representative who is available **every Wednesday, from 9am- 4pm through June 10**, for enrollment assistance. For an appointment or information please call 847-239-4556. Walk-ins also are accepted.



**Save the Date!!!**  
This year's picnic will be on **Saturday, August 15.**  
Details in the next newsletter.

**Monday and Friday Retail Shopping Trips Schedule with the Township Bus**

Below are the **Monday and Friday** retail shopping trips schedule for May and June. Reservations are required by calling the transportation department at 847-882-1929.

**May**

Friday - 1st	Target Higgins
Monday - 4th Friday - 8th	Walmart Barrington
Monday - 11th Friday - 15th	Target Barrington
Monday - 18th Friday - 22nd	Walmart Elk Grove
Friday - 29th	Target Higgins

**June**

Monday - 1st Friday - 5th	Walmart Barrington
Monday - 8th Friday - 12th	Target Barrington
Monday - 15th Friday - 19th	Walmart Elk Grove
Monday - 22nd Friday - 26th	Target Meacham
Monday - 29th	Target Meacham



Planning Asperger Syndrome Success And Generating Experiences

*Hosted by Clearbrook*

#### **Our Mission**

To help young adults with Asperger Syndrome and Non-Verbal Learning Disability and their families, by providing education and networking, as well as opportunities to meet and connect.

We meet the first Tuesday of every month (with the exception of January and July) from 7-9pm at:

Clearbrook  
Training Office  
1835 West Central Road  
Arlington Heights, IL 60005

No RSVP is necessary to attend. We hope to see you there!

We invite young adults (ages 22+) and their parents to join us.

Professionals facilitating this self-governed group include:

- Linda Hoeck, M.A., Harper College Career Skills Institute Coordinator and Autism Consultant
- Marc Lazar, M.S., Autism Specialist at Aspiritech
- Christopher Watson, Psy.D., Local Clinical Psychologist

Our gatherings focus on interactive communication within a social atmosphere. On occasion we invite speakers to present on a subject of interest to the group, which may include employment, housing, transportation, independent living, and other relevant topics. Young adults are able to enjoy game nights, time to socialize, potluck appetizers or desserts, and more. Parents, professionals, and community members are provided time for networking and fellowship as well.

Visit our blog for additional information: <http://passagesblog.blogspot.com/>



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847-884-1560 (TTY)  
847-884-0039 (FAX)

The Ablegram, Deaf Line and Town Crier  
Newsletters are available on our website at:  
[www.schaumburgtownship.org](http://www.schaumburgtownship.org)

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Disability & Deaf Services-  
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Gerry Bartnicke—Director—Ext. 2020  
Sarita Phadke—Deaf Services Coord.  
224-520-9763 (VP)  
847-884-1560 (TTY)  
Maureen Centeno— Asst. Director—2022  
Lauren Perschon—PR &Event Coord.—2025  
Lindsey Kaminsky—Benefits Specialist—  
2024

### **Township Officials**

Mary Wroblewski—Supervisor  
Timothy M. Heneghan—Clerk  
Diane Dunham—Trustee  
W. Robert Vinnedge—Trustee  
Jeffrey Mytych—Trustee  
Nimish Jani—Trustee  
John Lawson, CIAO—Assessor  
Scott M. Kegarise—Highway  
Commissioner

### **REPRINT REMINDER**

We thank other newsletters, which have been reprinting our articles with proper credit! Any organization may reprint articles from either of our newsletters if credit is given by name of newsletter and date. Any questions? Call 847-884-0030 (V), 224-520-9763 (VP) or 847-884-1560 (TTY).

### **ABLEGRAM AND DEAF LINE**

The Ablegram and Deaf Line Newsletters are available to Schaumburg Township residents at the disability services office or by calling 847-884-0030 (V), 224-520-9763 (VP) or 847-884-1560 (TTY). They include articles of interest to people who are disabled, deaf or hard of hearing or agencies working with them. The Ablegram is bi-monthly and Deaf Line is monthly and includes a calendar. Agencies should call 847-884-0030 (V), 224-520-9763 (VP) or 847-884-1560 (TTY) to request either newsletter.

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May 2015

Thursday, May 7 – Alzheimer’s Support Group – 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 12 – CFDC Meeting – 6:45 p.m.

Monday, May 25 – Memorial Day – Township Closed

Tuesday, May 26 – Fibromyalgia Support Group – 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, May 27 – Epilepsy Support Group – 7:00 p.m.

June 2015

Thursday, June 4 – Alzheimer’s Support Group – 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, June 23 – Fibromyalgia Support Group – 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, June 24 – Epilepsy Support Group – 7:00 p.m.