



# DEAF LINE

JANUARY 2017

## DEAF SOCIAL/SUPPORT GROUP



2017

Tuesday, January 10, 2017

(Note: 2nd Tuesday)

11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

At: Schaumburg Township  
One Illinois Blvd., Hoffman Estates, IL.

- ◆ Games/trivia
- ◆ Bring something to share with others:
  - \* A - I (last name): Hot dish
  - \* J - R (last name): Cold dish
  - \* S - Z (last name): Dessert or Fruits
- ◆ Pop drinks, water, and coffee will be served.

Please RSVP by January 8, 2017:

\* 224-520-9763 VP

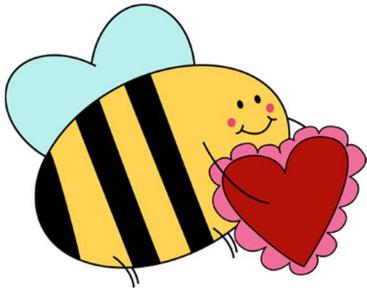
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**HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

From Disability Services Staff:

Gerry, Maureen, Lauren, Sharon, and Sarita



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## VALENTINE'S DAY LUNCHEON

Celebrate Valentine's day with the Luncheon at Schaumburg Township!

Wednesday, February 15, 2017

At: Schaumburg Township, One Illinois Blvd., Hoffman Estates, IL

**\*\* Door opens: 11 a.m. \*\* Lunch: 11:45 a.m.**

### Luncheon: Choose one meal below:

- ◆ Pot Roast
- ◆ Chicken Asiago
- ◆ Vegetable Pasta

**\$10 per person**

Plus: Mashed potatoes, salad & roll. Water, pop drinks and coffee will be provided.

### Please bring any dessert or fruit to share.



- ◆ Games & door prizes
- ◆ Deadline: February 11, 2017
- ◆ No refunds after February 11th

### Pay either in check or cash

\* Mail a check or money order (payable to Schaumburg Township) to Sarita Phadke, Schaumburg Township Deaf Services, One Illinois Blvd., Hoffman Estates, IL 60169. Please include your choice of entree.

\* If cash, please pay to Sarita at her office.

For more information, contact Sarita: [sphadke@schaumburgtownship.org](mailto:sphadke@schaumburgtownship.org) Email or 224-520-9763 VP.



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Choose one:

- \* Pot Roast
- \* Chicken Asiago
- \* Vegetable Pasta

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- \* Chicken Asiago
- \* Vegetable Pasta

# Deaf Social/ Support Group 2017

## Time:

11:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.

## Location:

Schaumburg Township  
One Illinois Blvd.,  
Hoffman Estates, IL 60169

Every 3rd Tuesday of the month  
(unless a different day is mentioned below)

## Dates

(subject to change)

*January 10th (2nd Tuesday)*

*February 15th (3rd Wednesday)*

*March 15th (3rd Wednesday)*

*April 17th (3rd Monday)*

*May 16th*

*June 20th*

*July 18th*

*August 15th*

*September 19th*

*October 17th*

*November 14th (2nd Tuesday)*

*December 12th (2nd Tuesday)*



## **ILLINOISAN NEW LAWS IN 2017**

With the start of new year, 2017, there are almost 200 new laws in Illinois, effective January 1, 2017. Below are a list of some laws.

- ◆ There are updates on the Tampon Tax which ensures essential women's health products (tampons, pads & menstrual cups) are not charged the same sales tax as shampoo.
- ◆ If the police dogs retire, the law allows police officers first preference to adopt these dogs, so that the dogs can remain part of the officer's family.
- ◆ The Worker Protection law bans any company from asking a worker (paid less than \$13.50 an hour) to sign a non-compete agreement.
- ◆ Cosmetologists, estheticians, nail technicians and hair braiders are trained to look for signs of domestic violence by requiring them to take one-hour continuing education class about domestic violence and sexual assault.
- ◆ If you have sick leave benefits at work, the law requires employers to give their workers greater flexibility in using their sick leave. A company must allow them to use half of their allotted time to attend to medical needs (illness, injury, or medical appointment) of family members (child, spouse, parent, parents in law, grandchild, grandparent, or step-parent).
- ◆ Your electric bill will cost you more in 2017. A power delivery rate hike will add about \$2 to your bill each month.
- ◆ Birth-Control Coverage - provides all women access birth control without additional costs. Insurance companies are to provide coverage for almost all FDA-approved birth control options and to cover up to 12 months of contraceptives at a time.
- ◆ Patients' Rights forbid medical providers to refuse certain medical treatments based on religious objections. Patients (especially women) will be better informed about their medical care.
- ◆ The Cash Bail law requires the police to accept currency for cash bail or bail deposits.
- ◆ Make sure that your license plate is clearly invisible.



Thank you everyone, for attending our Deaf Social/Support Group meetings in 2016. We appreciate your attendance and your delicious food to share with others. If you have ideas for events or field trips in 2017, let us know. *Thank you once again!*

### GREAT APPRECIATION



Schaumburg Township Disability Services would like to thank these sponsors for our Holiday party for Disabled children and families:

- B & A Plumbing, Inc.
- Village Tavern & Grill
- Bolger Commercial Properties
- Carpenters Union Local 839
- Schaumburg-Hoffman Lions Club

**Many thanks also to the following area businesses for their generous donations:**

*Ala Carte Entertainment, Congo River Golf, Culver's, Hoffman Estates Park District, Improv, Lynfred Winery, Maggiano's Little City, Medieval Times, Palm Court Restaurant, Pinstripes, Port Edward Restaurant, Renaissance Schaumburg Convention Center Hotel, Schaumburg Park District, Seasons 52 and the Shedd Aquarium.*

**Special thanks to the many wonderful volunteers for their hard work in making the Children's party successful.**

*Bill Eliasek, Carol Ban, Carole Helm, Charlyne St. Leger, Diane Fatouros, JR Hutson and Village Tavern Staff, Lee & Lucas Vos, Carole Lindeman, Leo Salais, Mark and Geri Chereso, Mary Ann Fleck, Mary Ellen Hyed, Mary Lou Szigeti, Pat Ryan, Rose Szyszka, Sue Giannone, Tina Fatouros and Tom Sucher.*

### SPECIAL THANKS



- ◆ Thank you, Illinois Telecommunications Access Corporation (ITAC), Home Instead Senior Care and Bobbi Sloan for being Holiday Sponsors for our Holiday Party for our Seniors & residents with disabilities!
- ◆ Special thanks to Bob Schmidt and Fabbrini's Flowers for donating the lovely poinsettias for the tables.

## **"AROUND THE WORLD" HOLIDAY CELEBRATION**

Our Holiday Celebration was a huge success - One of the best according to several people. Special appreciation goes to those who made delicious and mouth-watering food/desserts from different countries - **Tom Adamo, Carmen Aguilar, Andy & Carol Ban, Demir/Demetra Bekiri, Karen Choklad, Jane & Joe Delulio, Slavica DiDonna, Hugh Fung, Christina Galpern, Steve Hammersmith, Annette Langston, Anil Phadke, Ramesh Phadke, Eileen Rozborski, Denise Van Thyne, Nancy Weiner and Gail Yanover.** Appreciation goes to our awesome & hard-working volunteers - Carmen Aguilar, Carol Ban, Jenny Bratanch, Jane & Joe Delulio, Christina Galpern, Annette Langston, Anil Phadke & Denise Van Thyne.



Italian Dance

Horah Dance (Jewish)



"Bollywood" Dance (India)

Dance from Ecuador

Polish Dance

Indian Folk Dance



## IAD EVENTS

**Fundraising Event:** Illinois Association of the Deaf (IAD) will host their Deaf Social to benefit IAD. This event will be held on Friday, January 13, 2017, 6 p.m. to midnight, at Crystal Lake Brewing, 150 N. Main Street, Crystal Lake, IL. The cost is \$10 per adult; \$7 per child. The menu includes pizza, salad and dessert from Georgio's Pizza. Beer/soda are available for purchase. Lemon/cucumber water is also available. Portion of proceeds go to IAD.

**Legislative Trainings:** IAD will host two sessions of Legislative Training which will cover the community advocacy, understanding legislative bills, meeting with legislators, community collaboration, learning who your representatives are and web resources. The presenter is Jerry Covell. These workshops are free of charge. Two sessions are:

- ♦ January 28, 2017, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., at Jacksonville Community Center for the Deaf (JCCD), 907 W. Superior Ave, Jacksonville, IL. RSVP by January 14th.
- ♦ February 25, 2017, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., at Moraine Valley Community College, 9000 W. College Pkwy, The Fogelson Theatre & Foyer (Bldg. T), Palos Hills, IL. RSVP by February 11th.

For both sessions, food and drinks will be served during the lunch break. To sign up either the January 28th or February 25th session, please RSVP to Jason Altmann at [legislative@iadeaf.org](mailto:legislative@iadeaf.org) Email.



## TOWNSHIP CLOSED

Schaumburg Township will be closed on Monday, January 2, 2017

Stay warm and be safe during the winter time.



## UPCOMING OPEN CAPTION MOVIES

Open Caption movies will be shown every Saturday, 11 a.m., at AMC Street of Woodfield (601 N. Martingale Road, Schaumburg). They also have reserved seating. So it is recommended to purchase tickets online in advance. After selecting how many tickets you need, it will then take you to a seating chart and you pick your seats. When you arrive at the theatre, just bring the confirmation number or bar code can be scanned from your phone. Also, you can also buy tickets at the theatre.

The movies for January 2017 are:

- January 7th - Underworld: Blood Wars
- January 14th - Patriots Day
- January 21st - XXX3: The Return of Xander Cage
- January 28th - Resident Evil: The Final Chapter

**(Thanks, Fernando Ochoa, for this information)**

## IAD & IRID JOINT CONFERENCE

The Illinois Association of the Deaf (IAD) & Illinois Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (IRID) will host their joint Biennial Conference, "**Igniting Integration**", on June 22 - 25, 2017, at Hotel Indigo, 120 Water Street, Naperville, IL.

The combo rates are:

- ♦ **Early Bird (until March 31, 2017)** - \$100 (general); \$75 (senior citizen 65+ & students)
- ♦ **Regular (April 1 - May 31, 2017)** - \$125 (general); \$100 (senior citizen 65+ & students)
- ♦ **Late (after June 1, 2017)** - \$165 (general); \$135 (senior citizen 65+ & students)

These combo tickets include morning coffee & pastries, access to all workshops, keynote presentation, lunch and all evening events. The first 200 full conference registrants will attend the Saturday night banquet. Any IAD or IRID member may attend their general meeting on Saturday without registration. Childcare is available at a nominal cost. For diet restrictions/food allergies and ADA accommodation requests, please provide the written requests by May 31st.

For more information, visit [www.iadiridconf.org](http://www.iadiridconf.org)



## THE DAY OF THREE WISE KINGS

Illinois Deaf Latino Association (IDLA) will host an event, "The Day of Three Wise Kings", on Saturday,

January 14, 2017, 2 to 7 p.m., at St. Francis Borgia Center, 8025 W. Addison, Chicago, IL. There will be crafts/games activities, ASL storytelling, Latin foods, raffle prizes, piñata and gifts for children under 12 years. The admission cost is \$10 (family up to 4 people); \$2 (additional family member). RSVP is a must by January 6, 2017, or for more information, contact via email: [idla.response@gmail.com](mailto:idla.response@gmail.com). This event is sponsored by Catholic Office of the Deaf, CHOICES for Parents and Chicago Hearing Society (CHS).

## SPORTS NEWS



♦ West Suburban Association of the Deaf (WSAD) will have a Bulls Game Outing on Saturday, January 21, 2017. The Bulls will play against the Toronto Raptors team at 7 p.m., at United Center, 1901 W. Madison Street, Chicago. Gates open at 5:30 p.m. The ticket cost is \$60 per

WSAD member; \$66 per non-WSAD member. Interpreters will be available. There will be a group photo opportunity on Bulls floor after the game. For more information or tickets, please either Marilyn Russell: [wsadgold@yahoo.com](mailto:wsadgold@yahoo.com) or Bobby Rawalji: [abcdrawalji@gmail.com](mailto:abcdrawalji@gmail.com). Visit [www.wsad1981.com](http://www.wsad1981.com).



## GAME NIGHT

Swoboda Deaf Center (SDC) will have their Game Night on the 3rd Friday of each month, starting January 2017, from 6 to 11 p.m., at SDC, 7050 W. Belmont Avenue, Chicago. For this month, this event

will be on Friday, January 20, 2017.

There will be chess tournament, Texas Hold 'em, bingo, backgammon, and much more. There is a nominal admission fee. Check the website frequently - [www.swobodadeafcenter.org](http://www.swobodadeafcenter.org)



♦ Chicago Club of the Deaf (CCD) will host their 51st Annual Percy Burris Individual Handicap Deaf Bowling Tournament on Saturday, January 7, 2017, at Town & Country Lane, 2231 W. Jefferson Street, Joliet. The cost of fan

admission is \$7; \$6 for social night. For more information, check the website: [chicagoclubdeaf.org](http://chicagoclubdeaf.org) or email: [2017GLDBA@gmail.com](mailto:2017GLDBA@gmail.com)



♦ WSAD will have their 20th Annual Invitational Basketball Tournament on Saturday, February 11, 2017, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., at Bethel Baptist Church, 200 N. Roselle Road, Schaumburg. The admission cost for fans is \$10; free for children

under 12. There will be food & drinks for sale. For more information, contact Bobby Rawalji: [abcdrawalji@gmail.com](mailto:abcdrawalji@gmail.com) Email.



## HAVE YOU TESTED YOUR HOME FOR RADON YET?

Radon is a naturally occurring radioactive gas released in rock, soil and water from the

natural decay of uranium. You cannot see, smell or taste it. Exposure to radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer in the United States and the number one cause among non-smokers. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency estimates that radon causes more than 20,000 lung cancer deaths in the country each year. To get a free home test kit, either send a request via email: [environmentalcontrol@cookcountyil.gov](mailto:environmentalcontrol@cookcountyil.gov) or mail to: Cook County Dept. of Environmental Control Attn: Radon, 69 W. Washington Street, Suite 1900, Chicago, IL 60602. Be sure to give your name and address. For questions, call 708-865-6177.

## MEDICAL EQUIPMENT LOAN CLOSET

Schaumburg Village Public Health & Nursing Division has a medical equipment loan closet program available to only residents of Schaumburg Township. Equipment can be borrowed for a period of 30 - 90 days. Some of the items are bath seat, toilet rails, crutches, walker, wheelchair, cane, grabber, knee-walker, seat riser, and much more. A security deposit is required and is refunded when the equipment is returned. For a list of equipment or for more information, call 847-923-3766.



# JANUARY 2017



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> Happy New Year - 2017!	<b>2</b> SCH TWP CLOSED	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> CBS/HAD Senior gathering at Congregation Bene Shalom, Skokie; 10am to 4:30pm (nbalk 72@gmail.com)	<b>5</b> ** "Mr. & Mrs. Penny- worth" at Look- ingglass Thea- tre, Chicago; 7:30pm (312- 337-0665)	<b>6</b> Epiphany  * "King Charles III" at Shake- speare Theater, Chicago; 7:30pm (312-595-5600)	<b>7</b> WSAD's Bulls Game Outing at United Center, Chicago, 7pm (For tickets - contact wsadgold@yahoo. com email)
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Deaf Social/ Support Group at SCH TWP; 11:30am RSVP: 224-520-9763 VP	<b>11</b> Joliet Deaf Senior gathering at Croatian Cultural Club in Joliet; 9am to 4pm (815-306- 0549 VP)	<b>12</b> Rockford Senior Citizen gathering in CHS in Rock- ford; 9am to 3pm	<b>13</b> IAD hosts its fundraising event at Crystal Lake Brewing, Crystal Lake; 6pm to mid- night; Cost: \$10 adults; \$7 (kids)	<b>14</b> IDLA hosts "The Day of three Wise Kings" event at St. Francis Borgia Center, Chicago; 2 to 7pm (RSVP by January 6th)
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Martin Luther King Jr. Day	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> USA Inauguration Day!  ** "The Hunter & the Bear" at Writ- ers Theatre, Glen- coe; 7:30pm (847- 242-6000)	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> SCH TWP Board Meeting at SCH TWP, Hoffman Estates, IL; 7pm	<b>26</b> St. Francis Deaf Seniors at 8025 W. Addison Street, Chicago; 10am to 2pm	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Chinese New Year!  CCD Meeting at SDC, Chicago; 5pm
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>		  * ASL Inter- preted Show	  ** Open Captioned	SCH TWP - Schaumburg Township  SDC - Swoboda Deaf Center



## WINTER HEATING SAFETY

- ◆ Keep anything that can burn at least 3 feet away from a furnace, fireplace or a portable space heater.
- ◆ Never use your oven to heat your home.
- ◆ Have a three-foot “kid-free zone” around open fires and space heaters.
- ◆ Have heater and chimneys cleaned & checked every year by a qualified professional.
- ◆ Remember to turn portable heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed.
- ◆ Make sure the fireplace has a strong screen to stop sparks from flying into the room. Ashes should be cool before putting them in a metal container.
- ◆ Test smoke alarms monthly.



## ITAC PROGRAM

Our ITAC Selection Center is available for Amplified phone, CapTel phone, and TTY viewing or testing.

ITAC’s program distributes FREE phones, CapTel (captioned phone) and TTYs to any Illinois resident with a certified hearing loss, and local residential phone service. For more information, please call 847-884-0030 ext. 2025 V or 224-520-9763 VP.

Visit [www.itactty.org](http://www.itactty.org)

Health Insurance  
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## SHIP PROGRAM

The Senior Health Insurance Program (SHIP) offers free individual counseling services at local sites throughout Illinois. There are trained volunteers who can assist with various Medicare issues. There are several SHIP counselors at Schaumburg Township who can assist you in any way. Sarita Phadke is one of the SHIP counselors. For an appointment, call 847-884-0030 V; 224-520-9763 VP

**SHIP is not affiliated with any insurance company. SHIP counselors do not sell or solicit any type of insurance.**



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## Township Officials

**Mary Wroblewski**—Supervisor

**Diane Dunham**—Trustee

**W. Robert Vinnedge**—Trustee

**Jeffrey S. Mytych**—Trustee

**Nimish Jani**—Trustee

**Timothy M. Heneghan**—Clerk

**John R. Lawson, C.I.A.O.**—Assessor

**Scott M. Kegarise**—Highway Commissioner

**Schaumburg Township is a Selection Center for the Illinois Telecommunications Access Corporation (ITAC) Program (Amplified Phones, CapTel Phone and TTYs).**



Wish you a Happy New Year with a new and brighter beginning!

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**JANUARY 2017**

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- ◆ **Sunday, January 1, 2017 - Happy New Year!**
  - ◆ **Monday, January 2 - SCH TWP CLOSED**
  - ◆ **Wednesday, January 10 - Deaf Social/Support Group - "Welcome 2017"**  
**at SCH TWP, 11:30 a.m. (Please RSVP)**
  - ◆ **Monday, January 16 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day**
  - ◆ **Wednesday, January 25 - SCH TWP Board meeting, 7 p.m.**

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