

The Town Crier

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6th Annual

Schaumburg Township "Fall Into Health" Community Wellness Day

Wednesday, August 17, 2016 • 2 pm to 6 pm

Schaumburg Township and Northwest Community Healthcare (NCH) are hosting the sixth annual Community Wellness Day on Wednesday, Aug. 17, from 2 PM – 6 PM at the township. This free event is open to the public and is promoting individual health and safety by providing information from over 30 community agencies as well as many free health screenings.

- Skin Cancer Screening (*appointment only*)
- Total Cholesterol Screening (*appointment only*)
- Memory Screening (*appointment only*)
- Fall Prevention Assessment
- A1C Blood Sugar Screening
- Bone Density Screening
- Otoscope Screening

- Raffle Prizes and Giveaways
- Meet & Greet NCH Therapy Dogs
- NCH "Ask the Doctor" Forum
- Smoking Cessation Information
- Breast Health Information
- Flu/TDAP Vaccinations
- Hand Massages

For updated information on participating agencies and vendors, please visit our website at www.schaumburgtownship.org. To make an appointment for one of our many screenings, call (847) 884-0030 or (847) 285-4551.

Thank you to the sponsors of the event for their generous donation and participation: Northwest Community Healthcare (NCH), Illinois Telecommunications Access Corporation (ITAC), Comfort Keepers, Athletico and Healthquest Homecare.

Schaumburg Township Celebrating Illinois Township Day

Wednesday, September 21, 2016, 1 – 6 PM



Save the date! Schaumburg Township is hosting "Township Day" on Wednesday, Sept. 21, 2016, from 1 – 6 PM to promote and explain the various township services available to the community. Township Day is a statewide event. Schaumburg Township's event begins at 1 pm with a marching band performance and a ribbon-cutting ceremony with the Schaumburg Township Officials. Numerous agencies funded by the township will

be there to discuss senior, disabled, youth, mental health, and other socially funded programs available throughout our community. Township departments will give tours and provide raffle-like-games and prizes to visitors. Drinks and snacks will be provided along with a wealth of information and giveaways. For more information, visit our website www.schaumburgtownship.org or call (847) 884-0030 ext. 3015 for Lindsey Kaminsky.

Care Seminar – Tuesday, Sept. 13

Does caring for an individual with dementia or Alzheimer's disease stress you? We can help! Please join us for a care seminar on Tuesday, Sept. 13, from 10:30 AM to NOON in the Schaumburg Township boardroom. Kelly Hutchison, caregiving expert, will speak about caring for a loved one with dementia or Alzheimer's disease and offer tips on coping with aging and memory loss. Topics include managing behavior and promoting engagement with a loved one and finishing with a question and answer session. Seminar is free; call (847) 894-3511 to register. ■

Transportation Dept. Now Serves Edward Hines Jr. VA Hospital in Hoffman Estates

The Transportation Department now provides bus service for veterans to the Edward Hines Jr. VA Hospital Community Based Outpatient Clinic in Hoffman Estates. Transportation is available during our regular business hours 9:30 AM to 3:30 PM. Veterans must live in the township and registered with the Transportation Department for bus service. For veterans who need transportation outside of our business hours, the TRIP program is available. For more information, call dispatch at (847) 882-1929. We look forward to assisting you with your transportation needs within the township. ■

Township Walk Team Raises \$1,000

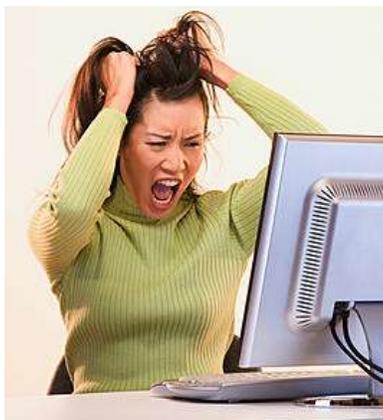


Schaumburg Township's team walked in the Greater Chicago Food Depository's 31st annual Hunger Walk on Saturday, June 25, in which we raised over \$1,000 for our food pantry. We are one step closer to eliminating hunger. Together we can increase awareness and make a difference.

LIHEAP

The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) is designed to assist low-income households with their energy bills. Eligibility for this program is based on household size and income. The program is slated to begin this fall. Contact General Assistance, Senior Services, or Disability Services for details. ■

Job Searching Can Be Frustrating



It's not unusual for a job seekers to find themselves frustrated or just simply stuck during a job search. Don't get upset wondering what to do next. The Schaumburg Township Employment Support Center was established to help job seekers break through that frustration and

move forward in their job search through one-on-one counseling and career path support. Call today for an appointment, or walk-in to use the employment center resources, such as computers, job binders, the in-house library, or attend the scheduled career seminars. Seminars are held in the lower level of the township building in room 114 at 10:30 AM. Registration is requested as seating is limited. All services are no cost to township residents. The center is located in the Schaumburg Township Offices.

Career Center Information:

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday – 9 AM to 1 PM
(847) 285-4553 RPPE.Careering@gmail.com

Upcoming Career Seminars:

Tuesday, Aug. 16 - *Using Those Key Words and Phrases*
Catch the eye of the recruiter and be recognized by the automated resume screening systems, and know how to work with keywords and phrases that will place you among the top candidates to be considered.

Tuesday, Sept. 6 - *Career Branding*
What are you known for? What is branding and how do I go about it? These are just a few of the questions answered in this presentation on developing your career brand.

Wednesday, Oct. 12 - *Interview Coaching*
Learn how to interview – what the hiring manager wants to hear and see. This will give you the opportunity to learn and include positives into your interviews going forward.

Tuesday, Nov. 15 - *How to Get a Search Firm to Call You*
Employment agencies and search firms seek out candidates to fill the jobs they are recruiting for. Learn how the pros position themselves to get all those important calls for employment consideration by these third party recruiters.

December – NO SEMINAR. ■

Zurich North America Made a Difference in the Community Again This Year



Zurich North America volunteers delivered an astounding 20,650 pounds of food (40,838 items) to the pantry in May. Their goal was to help keep the pantry shelves stocked during the summer months when they tend to get low. Needless to say, they definitely accomplished their goal! Thank you Zurich for your continued support, our community is lucky to have you. ■



Stamp Out Hunger Letter Carriers' Food Drive

The 24th annual National Letter Carriers' Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive on May 14th was a huge success again this year. The Schaumburg Post Office collected over 7,500 pounds of food for our pantry. We would like to thank the Schaumburg letter carriers and all the volunteers. We appreciate the help we received from Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association of Schaumburg (CPAAAS), and Katy and Waldo Garcia, from Riccardo's Restaurant, who once again donated pizzas for our volunteers. ■

Assistance for Arabic-Speaking Senior

Najwa Saleh with Arab American Family Services is available to help Arabic-speaking seniors with assistance in completing a benefit checkup and/or applying for public and federal assistance programs. Ms. Saleh will be at the township the last Monday of each month. Contact (708) 599-2237 to schedule an appointment. ■

SNAP Application Assistance Available

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) assists people with limited income purchase food. A township staff member is available to help with your SNAP application by appointment only. Please call Diana Nelson at (847) 884-0030 ext. 1014 for an appointment and to determine what documentation is needed to apply.

Mobile Dental Services

In collaboration with Northwest Community Healthcare, Schaumburg Township offers dental services to residents who are without dental insurance and are income eligible. Dental services include preventive treatment, simple restorative, fillings, extractions and oral health education. Please contact General Assistance to apply or for additional information. ■



Residential Special Hardship Program (ComEd)

The Residential Special Hardship Program provides a variable credit on ComEd bills for income-eligible, residential customers with a demonstrated hardship. Contact General Assistance, Senior Services, or Disability Services for details. ■

Weatherization Program

The Weatherization Program helps low-income homeowners improve their home's energy efficiency. Weatherization services will help save energy and money while keeping homes warmer in the winter and cooler in the summer. Contact General Assistance, Senior Services, or Disability Services for details. ■

Property Fraud Prevention

Attention homeowners! The Cook County Recorder of Deeds is partnering with Schaumburg Township to present a free information session explaining how offenders are stealing homes and how to prevent property fraud from happening to you. According to the Cook County Recorder of Deeds, in Illinois, it is easier to steal a home than it is to steal a car. Session is from 10 AM to NOON Friday, Aug. 12, at the township. For reservations contact Senior Services. ■



Kenneth Young Center Transitioning Youth Services

Research shows that most people do not accomplish the tasks of transitioning into adulthood (i.e., completing their schooling, getting a full-time job, establishing their own household) until their mid-20s, even under the best of circumstances. For transitioning youths who are struggling with, for example, poor motivation, lack of parental support or a mental illness, the transition can be delayed even further.

What makes the transition into adulthood for troubled youths even more challenging is the shortage of resources available. While most high schools provide ample support and services for students with special needs, the supports dwindle in higher education. Similarly, state benefits (i.e., Medicaid, All Kids) end when a young adult turns 19 unless they are extremely ill. Even for young adults who are able to maintain benefits into their 20s, we see an abrupt change in service systems. For example, the child/adolescent mental health system typically focuses on teaching new skills that never developed for people with a mental illness. In contrast, the adult mental health system looks to restore the skills used that were lost when the person became sick. This approach would be problematic for a transitioning young adult who never learned the skills to begin with. Similarly, vocational services will look different for a transitioning youth with little work history than a more traditional adult mental health client who has worked independently in the past.

Without some continuity of service, transitioning youths are at risk for various problems, including homelessness, substance abuse, HIV infection and criminal activity. Additionally, research suggests offering a service package to transitioning youths to address their multiple needs (i.e., vocational, recreational, health, education, housing, etc). To address this population and prevent them from being overlooked by the social services system, Kenneth Young Center has services for transitioning youths. These services include a skills group, therapy, psychiatric services, vocational supports and community support services. The goal of the transitioning youth program is to empower these young people to advocate for themselves and be involved in developing their own service plan.

Transitioning youth services are available on a sliding fee scale. Most services are billable to insurance, Medicaid, All Kids, or Medicare. For questions about these or other services at Kenneth Young Center, call the Intake line at (847) 524-8800 ext. 155.

Did you know...?

In addition to youth services, we have group programs available for parents. The following groups are available in both English and Spanish:

- **Parent Power** – A parenting group for parents of children with behavioral problems.
- **Taking Charge** – A skill building and social support group for parents of uncontrollable teens. ■

Notes From the Nurse Josie Gould, RN, MS Northwest Community Healthcare (NCH)

Office hours: Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays
8:30 AM – 4 PM (847) 285-4551

A1C Diabetes Blood Test

The A1C is a finger stick, non-fasting blood test that measures your average blood sugar level over the past three months. Get your results in 10 minutes. The cost is \$12, by appointment only.



Blood Pressure Testing

The NCH Community Nurse can check your blood pressure for free during her office hours on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 AM to 4 PM. It's a good idea to have it checked on three different days to get an average reading of your true blood pressure, as this is the type of information your doctor needs for treatment. If you take your blood pressure at home, bring in your home monitor to the nurse's office to have it checked for accuracy.

Support Groups

Please check the township calendar for the dates and times of our health-related support groups. ■

Important Research Studies: Depression and Schizophrenia

Alexian Brothers Center for Psychiatric Research is looking for eligible patients to participate in clinical research trials on FDA approved medications for schizophrenia



and depression. If you decide to participate, you may receive medical and psychiatric evaluations provided at no cost. Compensation for time and travel may also be available.

Schizophrenia clinical trials are seeking individuals who are alcohol dependent that want to stop drinking, or who are 35 years of age or younger diagnosed with schizophrenia in the past two years. This study involves only FDA approved medications and two years of visits at no cost.

Depression clinical trials are seeking patients who feel their current antidepressant has helped them improve less than 50 percent, or patients who are not taking any medication for depression, or patients who are "treatment resistant," meaning those who have tried many medications without improvement. For further information, call (847) 230-3591 or email research@alexian.net. ■

Zumba Gold

Schaumburg Township has added a Zumba Gold class on Monday mornings from 10:30 – 11:30 AM. The cost is \$20 for 5 classes or \$5 per class. The Zumba Gold class on Wednesdays from 4:30 – 5:30 PM still meets.

Get energized, fit and have fun with Sue Mayeda. Zumba Gold is open to all ages. Wear comfortable clothes and shoes and get ready to dance! Registration is not required. ■

Community Blood Drives

Call LifeSource at (877) 543-3768 to schedule an appointment or register online at lifesource.org and use sponsor code SH98

Thursday, Sept. 15

3:30 – 8:30 PM

The Barn
231 South Civic Drive
Schaumburg (847) 923-3766

Senior Trip: Arlington Race Track!

Attention seniors! Take a trip to the Arlington Park Race Track on Thursday, Sept. 15, from 11:15 AM to 4:30 PM. A \$5 suggested donation includes entry ticket and transportation to and from Arlington Park. Bus transportation will be provided by the township's Transportation Department. Call the senior department to register now as seating is limited. ■

Township Calendar

Community	Employment Support Center Seminar	10:30 AM – NOON, ROOM 114, page 2 Tuesday, Aug. 16 – <i>Using Those Key Words and Phrases</i> Tuesday, Sept. 6 – <i>Career Branding</i> Wednesday, Oct. 12 – <i>Interview Coaching</i> Tuesday, Nov. 15 – <i>How to Get a Search Firm to Call You</i>
	Community Wellness Day Health Fair	Wednesday, Aug. 17, 2 – 6 PM, page 1
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	Community Shred and Electronics	Saturday, Oct. 1, 9 – 12 PM, page 7
	Mobile Rabies Clinic	Tuesday, Oct. 4, 10 AM – 2:45 PM, page 7
	Community Nurse	Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, 8:30 AM – 4 PM
	Blood Pressure Screenings	Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, 8:30 AM – 4 PM
	Smoking Cessation Support Group	1 st and 3 rd Thursdays, 6:30 PM, Room 102
	NW Suburban Pregnancy/Infant Loss Support Group	2 nd Tuesday of the month, 7 – 8 PM
	Diabetes Support Group	2 nd and 4 th Wednesdays of the month, 10:30 AM, Room 102
	Employment Support Center	Mondays – Wednesdays, 9 AM – 1 PM
Disability Services	Deaf Support Group	3 rd Tuesday of the month, 11:30 AM
	Fibromyalgia Support Group	4 th Tuesday of the month, 7 PM
	Epilepsy Support Group	Last Wednesday of the month, 7 PM
Senior Services	Trip to Arlington Race Track	Thursday, Sept. 15, 11:15 AM – 4:30 PM, by reservation
	Pinochle Club	Mondays, 11 AM – 2 PM
	Lunch and Bingo Social	Thursdays, by reservation
	Crochet Group	Fridays, 9 – 11:30 AM
	VA Benefits and Services	Thursdays, 9 AM – 4 PM
	Alzheimer's Support Group	1 st Thursday of the month, 7 PM
	Legal Assistance: Affordable Wills	2 nd Tuesday of the month, 9 AM – NOON, by appointment
	Arab American Family Services	Last Monday of the month, by appointment

Please Note: Schaumburg Township will be closed Monday, Sept. 5, in observance of Labor Day.

Schaumburg Township Contact Information

Main Contact:	(847) 884-0030 information@schaumburgtownship.org	Employment Center	(847) 285-4553 RPPE.Careering@gmail.com
Disability Services:	(847) 884-0030 ext. 2025 disabledservices@schaumburgtownship.org	Highway Department:	(847) 884-1727 roaddistrict@schaumburgtownship.org
General Assistance:	(847) 884-0030 ext. 1013 generalassistance@schaumburgtownship.org	Community Nurse:	(847) 285-4551 jgould@nch.org
Senior Services:	(847) 884-0030 ext. 2014 seniorservices@schaumburgtownship.org	Transportation Dispatch:	(847) 882-1929 dispatch@schaumburgtownship.org
Kenneth Young Center:	(847) 884-6212 kennethyoung.org	Town Clerk:	(847) 884-0030 ext. 3015 clerk@schaumburgtownship.org

Scott M. Kegarise Highway Commissioner

Serving Unincorporated Schaumburg Township

Falling leaves signal the end to an all too short summer. With the change of seasons comes new challenges for the Road District. One of our current challenges is the prevention of illegal dumping on unincorporated properties and road district right of ways. Recently we have had to haul away auto fenders and various discarded automobile parts thrown away in the middle of the night. The illegal dumping necessitated that the items be collected then taken to the dump for proper disposal. We ask all residents who observe dumping to please contact us at (847) 884-1727 with a license plate number and vehicle type so that we may prevent the additional costs associated with the removal of this debris. In areas subject to repeated dumping, we have initiated surveillance in an effort to apprehend the responsible individuals.

By the time you read this we will have been paying tolls on I-390 for several months. The matter of the installation of power lines will most likely still remain unresolved. While those of us who do not live close by the highway may say to ourselves, "Why should we be concerned it's not in my backyard?" For us it is a simple matter of the reduction of property value. If taxes are reduced due to declining property values in one area they are increased in another part of the township to make up for the shortfall. Make your elected representatives aware of your feelings on power line towers along the I-390.

Once again there is ongoing construction and renovation of township highways. Please slow down, look out for our road crews, and give them a "brake." Stay safe, enjoy your fall, and, as always, if you have a concern regarding township highways please call us at (847) 884-1727. ■



A Message From Assessor John R. Lawson, M.S., C.I.A.O.

Tentative Reassessment Date is August 16

The Cook County Assessor will reassess all properties in Schaumburg Township with a tentative date of August 16, 2016. All property taxpayers in Schaumburg Township will be receiving a "Notice of Proposed Assessed Valuation" in the mail when the Cook County Assessor's Office reassesses your home. The appeal period is open for only 30 days; dates will be on your notice. Check the Cook County website www.cookcountyassessor.com under the "Appeal and Closing Deadlines" link. Cook County will post the actual deadline to file an appeal under Schaumburg Township. Once you receive the notice, property owners have 30 days to file an appeal either at the Schaumburg Township office or online at the Cook County website. Check the township website www.schaumburgtownship.org for instructions on how to appeal.

If your assessment is lowered as a result of an appeal, it does not necessarily lower the property tax bill. The overall amount of real estate taxes to be collected in your community is determined by all local governments that provide services, such as your municipality, schools, parks and library districts. It is important to be aware of any proposed increases in spending by your local governments as this will affect your taxes. The assessed valuation of your property determines your share of those taxes, which is why it is important that your assessed valuation is accurate and fair.

Exemptions/Tax Bills

Taxpayers are encouraged to carefully check their second installment property tax bill to ensure they receive all the exemptions to which they are entitled. Exemptions provide tax relief by reducing the equalized assessed valuation of an eligible residence. Taxpayers can receive an exemption if they own, or have a lease, or a contract that makes them responsible for the residential property real estate taxes, and they have lived at the principal place for the year. If an exemption was not applied to your tax bill, correct this by filing a "Certificate of Error."

Contact my office for assistance in regards to any of these tax matters: (847) 884-0030 ext. 3023. ■



Timothy M. Heneghan, Township Clerk



Clerk Timothy M. Heneghan and Savers helpers from the Donation Drive gathered donated items from our Community Rummage Sale on May 14. For every pound donated, Savers made a monetary donation to the township food pantry.

Community Donate, Recycle & Shred Event

Saturday, Oct. 1, 2016, 9 AM – 12 PM

Schaumburg Township Parking Lot, 1 Illinois Blvd., Hoffman Estates

Schaumburg Township is hosting a Community Donate, Recycle and Shred Event Saturday, Oct. 1, from 9 AM – 12 PM. This free event is available to Schaumburg Township **residents only**; businesses cannot participate. Drive-thru donations of clothing, accessories, household goods, toys and more will be accepted by Savers. Electronics recycling will accept computer/IT equipment, cell phones, batteries, home and office electronics. There is a \$35 – \$50 disposal charge for tube and projections TVs and a \$10 charge for CRT monitors by cash or check only. Paper shredding is limited to four boxes/bags (1 cubic feet or 15" x 12" x 10" in size) per car. Paper clips, staples and rubber bands **do not need to be removed**. For more information on accepted items, visit www.schaumburgtownship.org.

Visit the Clerk's Office

The Clerk's office can assist you with U.S. Passport applications, notary public service, voter registration, unincorporated Cook County vehicle stickers and applying for our veterans' honor roll. For more information on any of these services, please call (847) 884-0030 ext. 3015 or visit www.schaumburgtownship.org.

Mental Health Awareness Fair



Schaumburg Township's 4th annual Mental Health Awareness Fair, Minds Matter, was a success with more than 70 people attending. The fair had over 30 informative exhibitors and four engaging speakers who served as valuable resources for all those

who attended. Local businesses donated over \$1,000 worth of door prizes, pizza and refreshments. The Mental Health Committee would like to thank the Schaumburg Township Board of Trustees for their continued support of this event.

Mobile Rabies Clinic

Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2016, 10 AM – 2:45 PM

Schaumburg Township Highway Garage, 1 Illinois Blvd., Hoffman Estates

Cook County Department of Animal and Rabies Control will provide low-cost rabies vaccines for dogs, cats, and ferrets for Cook County residents on Tuesday, Oct. 4. The clinic will be held in the Schaumburg Township Highway Department Garage on the south end of the parking lot located at the township from 10:00 AM to 2:45 PM.

The fee for a 1-year rabies vaccine is \$7 and \$21 for a 3-year rabies vaccine. Payment is cash or check only; credit and debit cards will be not be accepted. No appointment necessary. Pet owners must present a valid driver's license or state ID. For public safety, all pets must be leashed or caged at all times.

Recent Veteran Honorees



The board honored Private Darrell R. Painter and Staff Sergeant Edward F. Staub at the board meeting on June 22, 2016.

Honored April 27, 2016

Specialist Robert T. Royce
U.S. Army 1968 – 1970

Honored May 25, 2016

Petty Officer Third Class
Thomas R. Kuenker
U.S. Navy 1965 – 1968

Honored June 22, 2016

Staff Sergeant
Edward F. Staub
U.S. Army 1970 – 1976

Private Darrell R. Painter
U.S. Army 1965 – 1967

The Township of Schaumburg would like to honor all township veterans. If you or someone you know is interested in being recognized for our Veterans Honor Roll, please call the Clerk's office.

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The Township of Schaumburg serves residents living in parts of the following communities: Elk Grove, Hanover Park, Hoffman Estates, Rolling Meadows, Roselle, Schaumburg, Streamwood and unincorporated Schaumburg Township.

A Message From the Supervisor

For over 167 years, Schaumburg Township has helped thousands of residents with various social services. Despite this long history, there are many who still do not understand what is the function or mission of the township. Please consider attending our Schaumburg Township "open house" to celebrate Illinois Township Day Wednesday, Sept. 21, from 1 to 6 PM to learn about the services offered at our township.

This is a great opportunity to visit the Senior Department, Transportation Department, Disability Services, General Assistance, the food pantry, the township nurse, the job center and the Assessor's office. Meet the staff and learn about all the services that are provided by each department. Please take advantage of this opportunity to see how your township works. Hope to see you there!

*Mary Wroblewski,
Schaumburg Township Supervisor*



Schaumburg A.M. Rotary "Doing Good in the World" celebration. Pictured left to right: General Assistance Program Support Specialist Amy Fillmore, Schaumburg A.M. Rotary President Brian Bieschke, Schaumburg Township Supervisor Mary Wroblewski, and General Assistance Supervisor Program Support Specialist Diana Nelson.