

Senior Newsletter

Nov, Dec 2014 & Jan 2015

OPEN ENROLLMENT—PART D 2015

Beginning on October 15th through December 7th everyone with Medicare can view the new Medicare approved insurance plans that will offer coverage for prescriptions for the year 2015. Each year new plans become available which might provide a better cost savings for the consumer. If you are currently enrolled in a specific plan, this is a good time to review the premium, deductible, and co-payments. The tier of the drug may also change which means that you could be paying a lesser or higher amount for your current drug plan. Some plans work with specific pharmacies which are called “preferred” pharmacies while other plans may only offer network pharmacies. In any case, it is advantageous to check different pharmacies to compare the cost of your medications.

If you would like to compare the new drug plans, please visit the Medicare website at www.Medicare.gov or contact the senior department for an appointment. If you choose a new plan, benefits will begin on January 1, 2015.

MEDICARE MEDICAID ALIGNMENT INITIATIVE

The Medicare-Medicaid Alignment Initiative is for seniors and persons with disabilities who are enrolled in both Medicare and Medicaid. This program covers all your Medicare and Medicaid benefits, including prescription drug benefits/Medicare Part D.

When you enroll, you can choose a primary care provider (PCP) who will give you information to help you stay healthy, and make referrals. All plans have a choice of doctors, specialists and hospitals. One health plan will cover all your healthcare needs! Care coordinators will assist you in reaching your health goals. Inquire about your options in choosing the right plan; If you do not choose, a plan will be assigned for you. You may also choose to opt out completely from the Managed Care Initiative and stay with your current Medicare/Medicaid coverage.

To enroll, opt-out or to learn more about the Initiative please call 1-877-912-8880 or visit www.EnrollHFS.Illinois.gov.

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SAVE THE DATE

AARP DRIVER SAFETY COURSE



WHERE: Schaumburg Park District
505 N Springinsguth Rd
Schaumburg, Illinois

DATE: November 17 & 18

TIME: 12:00 pm–4:00 pm

COST: \$15 AARP Members
\$20 Non-Members

Call 847-490-7020 to register. Must attend both days.

You may be eligible for an insurance discount on course completion. Contact your insurance carrier for further information.

AARP DRIVER SAFETY COURSE

WHERE: Schaumburg Police Department
1000 W Schaumburg Rd
Schaumburg, Illinois

DATE: December 4 & 5

TIME: 9:00 am

FEE: \$15 AARP Members
\$20 Non-Members

Call 847-348-7274 to register. Must attend both days.

You may be eligible for an insurance discount on course completion. Contact your insurance carrier for further information.

PRESTO! HOLIDAY CONCERT



Come enjoy classical and popular music of the season performed by the Schaumburg Youth Symphony Orchestra.

DATE: Saturday, December 20th, 2014

TIME: 3:30 pm (doors open at 3:00 pm)

FEE: \$15 (cash or checks payable to Schaumburg Township)

***Free** transportation provided from home or the township.

Call to reserve bus transportation.

HOLIDAY MUSICALE



Join us at the township for a social evening and get into the holiday spirit! Entertainment will be provided by “**The Noteables**” a chorus group sponsored by the Hoffman Estates Park District. They will entertain us with a medley of their favorite songs and carols.

Highway Commissioner Scott Kegarise and his wife Char provide cookies, hot cocoa and flavored coffees for the event. Everyone looks forward to Char’s delicious cookie specialties.

DATE: Thursday, December 18, 2014

TIME: 6:00 pm

For reservations, contact senior services at 847-884-0030.

Please call 847-882-1929 for anyone needing bus transportation for this event.

TIME CHANGE



Days are getting shorter and it will soon be time to “Fall Back” with standard time resuming. On **Saturday, November 1st**, turn back your clock 1 hour before going to bed.

This is also a good time to change the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.

BINGO/LUNCH



Due to holiday events, bingo and Thursday luncheon will be cancelled on the following days:

November 27th

December 4th

December 18th

December 25th & January 1st

MONTHLY EVENTS

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
PINOCHLE 11 AM RETAIL SHOPPING 11 AM — 2 PM	JOB COUNSELOR BY APPT 10 AM — 3 PM GROCERY SHOPPING	GROCERY SHOPPING SENIOR YOGA 10:30 AM-11:15 AM	** LUNCH/BINGO VETERAN SERVICES 9:00 AM — 4:00 PM GROCERY SHOPPING ALZHEIMER'S MTG 7 PM	RETAIL SHOPPING 11 AM-1 PM KNIT/CROCHET 9 AM GROCERY SHOPPING
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*** JOB CLUB 4TH TUES OF EVEN MONTHS**
OCTOBER 28, 2014

**** BY RESERVATION**




MONDAY RETAIL SHOPPING TRIPS					
NOV. DATE	STORES	DEC. DATE	STORES	JAN. DATE	STORES
MONDAY — 3rd	WALMART BARRINGTON	MONDAY — 1ST	WALMART BARRINGTON	MONDAY — 5TH	WALMART BARRINGTON
MONDAY — 10th	TARGET BARRINGTON	MONDAY — 8TH	TARGET BARRINGTON	MONDAY — 12TH	TARGET BARRINGTON
MONDAY — 17th	WALMART ELK GROVE	MONDAY — 15TH	WALMART ELK GROVE	MONDAY — 19TH	WALMART ELK GROVE
MONDAY — 24th	TARGET MEACHAM	MONDAY — 22ND	TARGET MEACHAM	MONDAY — 26TH	TARGET MEACHAM
		MONDAY — 29TH	WALMART ELK GROVE		

SCAM

The Better Business Bureau issued a warning highlighting an email scam designed to trick recipients into divulging personal information, including names, addresses and Social Security numbers.

The scheme involves an email from an account impersonating the Social Security Administration, Service Canada or an organization claiming to represent a government agency. The email says you qualify for a new benefit, and to claim it, you need to fill out a form, which asks for a variety of details, such as your name, address, phone number, Social Security number, employer and driver's license or government ID number. Upon completing the form, you receive a confirmation email, which says you'll hear from a government representative soon.

AARP TAX-AIDE ASSISTANCE

Volunteer AARP tax-aide preparers will again offer free income tax filing for disabled and/or senior residents who reside within our township. As the new year begins, you will receive important tax documents such as social security, pension, IRA, W-2, interest and dividend statements. Keep all of these documents for filing. Appointments are required. No walk-ins!

Contact the senior department the last week of January to make an appointment.

If you would like to volunteer as a tax-aide preparer, contact Wayne Bessette at 847-895-3796.

FYI (Smoke/carbon monoxide alarm recall)

The Hoffman Estates Fire Department received notice of a smoke detector and carbon monoxide detector product recall.



Kidde and the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) announced a voluntary recall to replace certain Kidde AC/DC smoke alarms and combination smoke/carbon monoxide alarms.

This replacement program was initiated because the units may not perform as designed following a power outage. It involves Kidde residential smoke alarms with model number i12010S manufactured between Dec. 18, 2013 and May 13, 2014, and combination smoke/CO alarms with model number i12010SCO manufactured between Dec. 30, 2013 and May 13, 2014 and model number KN-COSM-IBA manufactured between Oct. 22, 2013 and May 13, 2014.

Contact Kidde at 1-844-553-9011 or www.Kidde.com with any questions.

Hoffman Estates eNews
September 17, 2014



HAPPY HOLIDAYS
Township of Schaumburg Office closings
November 27 & 28
December 25
January 1



MEDICARE REMINDER

How Medicare covers vaccines depends on the type of vaccine and the reason it is prescribed. Medicare Part B (either through Original Medicare or a Medicare Advantage plan) covers vaccines after you are exposed to a dangerous virus or disease. For example, it will cover tetanus shots after you step on a rusty nail. It also covers three vaccines under the preventive care benefit—flu, pneumonia, and hepatitis B. All other vaccines should be covered by your Part D prescription drug plan. Every Part D plan must have all commercially available vaccines on its list of covered drugs (formulary), but costs may differ.

Medicare Watch
October 2, 2014

TOWNSHIP BUS TRANSPORTATION



The Schaumburg Township Senior and Disabled Bus will no longer be able to take clients to the Northwest Community Hospital/Arlington Heights area. Clients needing rides to this area will need to use the TRIP service. These changes are occurring because of excessive demands on our services.

Starting in November, buses will take clients to Alexian Brother's Hospital/Elk Grove Village on Mondays with the same time schedules as the Tuesday/Thursday run.

Alexian Brothers Hospital/Elk Grove Village
Drop-off 10:00 am 1:00 pm 3:00 pm

If you have further questions, please contact dispatch at 847-882-1929.

VILLAGE OF SCHAUMBURG



An important program offered by the Schaumburg Police Department, Social Service Unit is the **Emergency Cell Phone Loan Program**. The Social Service Unit will provide free, deactivated cell phones to crime victims still in danger and elderly residents with serious medical needs for the purpose of making emergency 911 calls.

If you have a need for this program, please contact the Police Department Social Service Unit at 847-882-3534.

SENIOR FUEL FILLING SERVICE



With the cold weather approaching, complementary fuel filling service is offered to senior citizens and those with disabilities at the Hoffman Estates BP. This service is offered on Sunday's and Monday's from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm in an effort to provide exceptional customer service.

An attendant will be available to pump your gas! Please use the pumps located on the West side of the building. Just honk and someone will come out to assist you. The BP is located at the intersection of Barrington Rd and Higgins Rd (72).

LIHEAP 2015 HEATING SEASON

If you have not applied for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program which began in September, there is still time. Contact the senior department for an appointment.



FREE

Electronics Recycling & Paper Shredding

*Get rid of the clutter in your garage and workplace,
and help the environment at the same time!*

Saturday, November 8

9:00 am – 12 pm

Open to Schaumburg Township residents only
Easy Parking Lot Drop Off

SCHAUMBURG TOWNSHIP

1 Illinois Blvd., Hoffman Estates, IL 60169

For more information visit schaumburgtownship.org or call (847) 884-0030

Computers • Monitors • Laptops • Cell Phones • TVs • UPS Batteries

Household batteries, items leaking chemicals or cracked computer monitors/crushed laptops cannot be accepted.

CRT Monitors & Tube TVs will cost \$5—\$20 depending on item.

4 SHREDDING BOXES PER PERSON

4 letter/legal boxes no large 1 cubic feet or 15 x 12 x 10 inch size



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*Schaumburg Township Supervisor, Mary Wroblewski
and*

*The Township Officials cordially invite you to the
Senior/Disability Services Holiday Party*

Wednesday, December 3, 2014

CHANDLER'S CHOPHOUSE

401 N. Roselle Road

Schaumburg, IL 60194

11:00 a.m.

*Reservations will only be accepted by mail and only for the individual and their spouse.
No walk-ins or phone calls will be accepted. Due to limited space, a lottery system will
be used to draw the reservation. If unable to attend, please notify the Senior Services
Department at 847-884-0030.*

A confirmation letter will be mailed to the selected attendees.

Duplication of this invite will forfeit your reservation.

**Mail-in reservations must be received by November 14, 2014 deadline.*

Please mail completed form to:

Schaumburg Township

1 Illinois Blvd.

Hoffman Estates, IL 60169

Attn: Senior Dept.

Senior & Disability Holiday Party

December 3, 2014

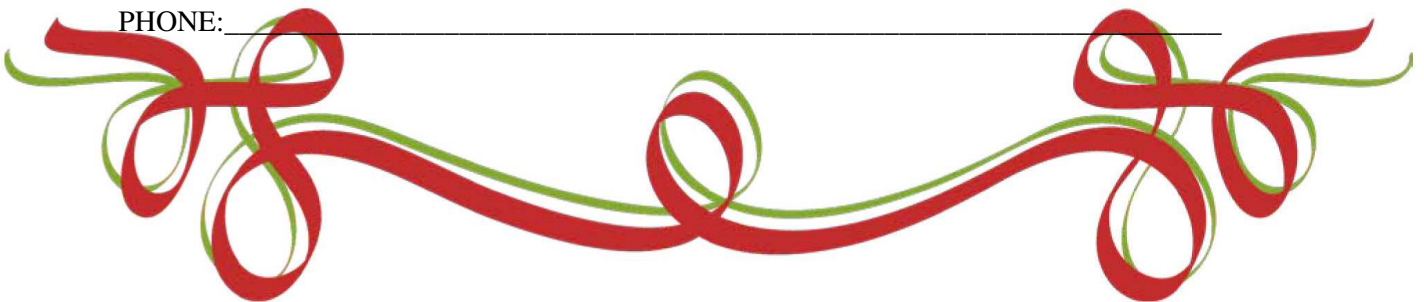
NAME: _____

SPOUSE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE: _____

PHONE: _____



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****IMPORTANT**NEWSLETTER ATTENTION!!!!!!!**

If anyone knows of a senior who has moved out of the Township, is deceased, or receives more than one newsletter, please call us with this information.



SENIOR DEPARTMENT 847-884-0030

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT 847-882-1929

YELLOW DOT PROGRAM

The Illinois Yellow Dot Program is a statewide initiative designed to provide vital medical information on vehicle drivers/passengers. Information on the medical card can assist first responders immediately following a serious crash. This can mean the difference between life or death. Information packets may be obtained from the Village of Hoffman Estates, Schaumburg Police Department, Schaumburg Township Senior Department or visiting the website at www.YELLOWDOTILLINOIS.org.

DEPARTMENT CLOSING

The Senior Department will close at 4:00 pm daily so that the staff can return phone calls and process necessary paperwork.

APPOINTMENTS ARE NECESSARY

MEALS ON WHEELS

Are you unable to cook for yourself or need help with shopping?

Contact Kenneth Young Center at 847-524-8800.

REPRINT REMINDER

We thank other newsletters, which have been reprinting our articles with proper credit. Any organization may reprint articles from any of our newsletters provided that proper credit is given by name of newsletter and date. Please contact 847-884-0030 with any questions.