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Community Calendar

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May 28, 2009

Based upon space availability, The Review prints calendar announcements and items for columns, including campus news, newsmakers and others for local organizations and individuals. The deadline is 14 days before the desired publication date, however there is no guarantee for publication. Send releases and items of local interest to: Skokie Review or Lincolnwood Review, 3701 W. Lake Ave., Glenview IL 60026.

Benefits

Shore Community Service will host its 15th annual Golf Outing July 17 at the Deerfield Golf Club in Riverwoods. Cost is \$150 for golfers and \$50, for dinner only. Visit www.shoreinc.org, for details.

Children

NorthShore Hospice is sponsoring Forever Memories, a free art workshop for grieving children ages 6-12. The class will be held from 10 to 11 a.m. June 13 at NorthShore Hospice, 4901 Searle Parkway, Skokie. Pre-registration is required. Call (847) 982-4364.

Lincolnwood Parks & Recreation offers Pitter Patter Painters Thursdays from June 4-July 9 at Lincolnwood Community Center, 6900 N. Lincoln Ave., Lincolnwood. Class for 2-3 year olds is held from 9:15-10 a.m., and 4-5 year olds meet from 10:15-11a.m. Cost is \$55 for residents and \$69, nonresidents. Registration required. Call (847) 677-9740.

Lincolnwood Parks & Recreation offers Animal Kingdom for 3 -5 year olds from 9:30-10:15 a.m. Fridays June 5-July 17 at Lincolnwood Community Center, 6900 N. Lincoln Ave., Lincolnwood. Each week children learn about the habitation and sounds of different animals. Cost is \$55 for residents and \$69, nonresidents. Registration required. Call (847) 677-9740.

Lincolnwood Public Library, 4000 W. Pratt Ave., (847) 677-5277 www.lincolnwoodlibrary.org. Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m. or 1:30 p.m.: **Stories and More** sessions offer children, ages 3 to 5, language-rich experiences that include books, board stories, songs, finger plays and crafts.

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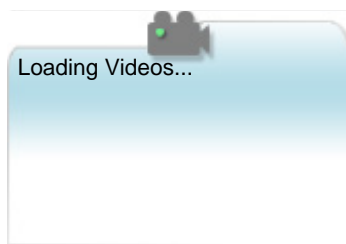
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SPORTS

Wednesdays, 10 a.m.: young children, ages 3 and under, and their caregivers are invited to "Playtime at the Library" to participate in stories, songs, and social interaction. Each 90-minute session includes a snack time for the children. Fridays, 3:30-5 p.m.: **Knitting class** for ages 10 and up, any level, taught by Bertha Gimbel. **Beginning with Books**, Thursdays, 10 a.m. Lincolnwood Library, 4000 W. Pratt Ave., offering stories, songs, and activities for young children, infants to 2-years-old, with caregiver.

Gan Yeladim is the early-childhood program at Ezra-Habonim, the Niles Township Jewish Congregation, 4500 Dempster St., Skokie. Registration is under way for the 2008-09 school year. Gan Yeladim offers full- and half-day programs for children between the ages of 2 and 5. Services are available between 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday through Friday. Early-morning drop-off, a lunch program and afternoon enrichment classes are also available. To register, call Betsy, (847) 675-4152, or visit www.ganskokie.org.

Club Maccabee is a free children's club for students in kindergarten through fifth grade that combines fun and games with Hebrew, Jewish education and Scripture study. Call (847) 674-9146. Club Maccabee is sponsored by Devar Emet Messianic Synagogue.

Junior Bowling League has formed for third-graders through high school students, meeting at 10 a.m. Saturdays at Sy's Lanes, 6670 N. Lincoln Ave., Lincolnwood. Fee is \$8 per week. Call (847) 677-6930.

Temple Judea Mizpah, 8610 Niles Center Road, Skokie, offers preschool and kindergarten to children of nonmembers. Space is limited. Call Sally Gold, (847) 676-1566.

Classes

The Skokie Fire Department will offer a CPR class June 16 at Station 16, at 7424 Niles Center Road. The class runs from 6:30 to 10 p.m. and covers infant, child, and adult CPR. Residents pay a \$15 refundable fee. Non-residents pay a \$20, non-refundable fee. This class is not certified for health-care professionals. Call (847) 982-5340, to register.

Citizenship classes are offered by the Niles Township Schools ELL Parent Center from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Wednesdays June 3, 10, 17 and 24; and Fridays, May 29, June 5, 12, 19 and 26. Classes take place at 9440 N. Kenton Ave., Skokie. Prepare for your citizenship interview and exam. Reservations recommended. Children are welcome. Fee is \$10. Call (847) 568-7611

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Workshops at 9:30 a.m. June 8 and 22 at the JVS Skokie office, 5150 Golf Road, Skokie. \$5 fee. Free for JVS clients. June 22 -- Resume Review and Development will give an overview of resume construction techniques. \$5 Fee, JVS clients are free. To RSVP call (847) 568-5150.

Rainbow Animal Assisted Therapy, Inc., works with children, with physical, mental and/or emotional disabilities will hold classes, to help train your dog to help kids. children benefit from activities that improve motor, language, and cognitive skills. Classes will be held from 6:45-7:45 p.m. Wednesdays, starting June 17 and 1-2 p.m. beginning Thursdays, June 25, at 6042 W. Oakton St., Morton Grove. Pre-registration required. Call (773) 283-1129. www.rainbowaat.org. For summer classes, contact Nancy Lind, (773) 283-1129 or go to: rainbow3719@juno.com.

A free literacy class is offered weekly at Lincolnwood Library, 4000 W. Pratt Ave., from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturdays. Adults whose first language is not English can improve reading, writing, and math skills, sponsored by Oakton Community College. Call (847) 677-5277.

Free English as a Second Language classes are offered in the Lincolnwood Library from 6:30- 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays, sponsored by Oakton Community College. Call (847) 677-5277.

Temple Judea Mizpah offers ULPAN Hebrew from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Thursdays at 8610 Niles Center Road, Skokie. Learn to comfortably speak conversational Hebrew in an immersion-style class. The fee is \$125 for members and \$150 for nonmembers. Call (847) 676-1566, send an e-mail to tjmschool@aol.com or go to www.templejm.org.

The Chinese Cultural Education Association has room for additional students in its Parent & Tot program for 3-year-olds. Basic, day-to-day Chinese (Mandarin) language phrases, along with Asian culture, games, songs and dances are taught to parents and children in a stress-free environment. Classes are from 10:30 a.m.-noon Saturdays at the St. Lambert Education Center, 8141 N. Kedvale Ave., Skokie. Call (847) 674-0348, or e-mail tsaifenlin@comcast.net.

Ezra-Habonim, the Niles Township Jewish Congregation, 4500 Dempster St., Skokie, offers introduction to Judaism and beginning adult Hebrew classes on Sundays and monthly Yiddish. Members and others are welcome to attend. Call (847) 675-4141, send an e-mail to ehntrab@yahoo.com, or visit www.ehnt.org.

Temple Judea Mizpah, 8610 Niles Center Road, Skokie, holds hour-long adult Hebrew classes Sunday mornings. Enrollment is limited. Call (847) 676-1566, send an e-mail to tjmeducator@aol.com, or visit www.templejmschool.org.

K'tonim is a Judaic arts and play class for children age 2 and older. Students and their parents and grandparents enjoy stories, games, songs and snacks, as well as arts and crafts. Siblings are welcome. Class meets 10:15-11:45 a.m. Sundays twice a month at Temple Judea Mizpah, 8610 Niles Center Road, Skokie. Call (847) 676-1566, send an e-mail to tjmeducator@aol.com, or visit www.templejmschool.org.

Clubs

The Joe Lessman Division of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society's June 6 meeting will feature an Ice Cream Social at 7 p.m. at the Oakton Community Center, 4701 Oakton St., first floor, in Skokie. Anyone with an interest in Multiple Sclerosis is welcome as our guest. Music Historian Jack Diamond will present a program highlighting the life and music of a reknown celebrity. Call Phil Berger, (847) 367-4814 or the MS Society at 1-800 FIG-HTMS, for other areas.

Hadassah Chicago Chapter presents a Celebration Honoring its Leadership Academy, Chicago Hadassah Graduates, and the Installation of the Chicago Chapter Officers for 2009-10. The event will begin at 7 p.m. June 4 at the Optima Party Room, 9645 Woods Drive, Skokie. The speaker will be past National President and speaker, Marlene Post. Admission is \$20. Call (847) 675-6790.

Chicago Jewish Historical Society will present "Journeying through History: An Archivists View of the Chicago Jewish Archives" as the subject at its next meeting at 2 p.m. May 31. The program will begin after a social hour and refreshments at 1 p.m. at Temple Sholom, 3480 N. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago. Admission is free and open to the public. Joy Kingsolver is head archivist at the Shel Silverstein Archive in Chicago, and also consultant to the Walter H. Sobel Papers, the repository of the papers of the late Walter H. Sobel, a prominent Chicago architect who worked on 10 Chicago synagogues. New members are welcome. Visit www.chicagojewishhistory.org.

Jewish Genealogical Society of Illinois will hold its annual meeting and present "Ask the Experts" at 2 p.m. June 28 at Temple Beth Israel, 3601 W. Dempster St., Skokie. Ask any genealogical related questions regarding your research into your family's history. The JGSI meeting facilities at Temple Beth Israel will open at 12:30 p.m. to accommodate members/guests who want to use the library materials, get help with genealogy web sites or ask genealogical related questions before the main program begins at 2 p.m. Visit www.jewishgen.org/jgsi or phone (312) 666-0100.

Tickets for the Taste of Skokie Valley are available. Come to network, meet members of the community and be with friends at this one-of-a-kind event 5:30- 8:30 p.m. May 28 Doubletree Hotel Conference Center, at 9599 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. Enjoy tastings of 16 area restaurants menus, plus a silent auction and drawing for \$1,000. Tickets are \$30 in advance, \$40 at the door. Proceeds benefit Skokie Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club of Skokie Valley.

Jewish Genealogical Society of Illinois will host a beginner's workshop led by Judy Frazin at 1 p.m. May 31 at Skokie Public Library, 5215 Oakton St., Skokie. Go to www.jewishgen.org/jgsi or call (312) 666-0100.

The Adult Stamp Club meets at 7 p.m. the fourth Thursday of the month, at Lincolnwood Library, 4000 W. Pratt Ave. Call (847) 677-5277.

The Kiwanis Club of Skokie Valley meets at noon Thursdays at the North Shore Holiday Inn, 5300 Touhy Ave., Skokie. Call Lisa, (847) 329-0400, or send an e-mail to lkudon@firstbt.com.

The Rotary Club of Skokie Valley meets at 12:15 p.m. Tuesdays at the Zhivago Restaurant, 9925 Gross Point Road, Skokie.

Skokie Photographic Society meets at 7 p.m. the third Thursday of each month on the lower level of Skokie Village Hall, 5127 Oakton St., Skokie. Photographers at all levels are welcome. Call (847) 677-8324.

Skokie Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. every third Tuesday at the North Shore Holiday Inn, 5300 Touhy Ave., Skokie. Call Lion Walt Holden, (847) 679-7457.

Niles Township Toastmasters meets from 7:15-8:45 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at the Morton Grove Public Library, 6140 Lincoln Ave. Come and hone your speaking skills, learn to speak extemporaneously or tell a joke. Call (847) 583-9328.

Chicago Photographic Collectors Society meets at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of the month, except in July, November and December, at the Ridgeview Grill, 827 Ridge Road, Wilmette. Visit www.chicagophotographic.org.

The Couples Social and Dance Club meets at 7:30 p.m. the third Saturday of each month on the lower level of the Leaning Tower YMCA, 6300 Touhy Ave., Niles. The evening features live band music. Call Marilyn Katz, (847) 299-5827.

Skokie American Legion Post 320 meets at 7:30 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at VFW Hall, 7401 Lincoln Ave., Skokie. Call (847) 674-0320.

National Scrabble Association Club 340 meets from 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Thursdays at Oakton Community Center, 4701 Oakton St., Skokie, and from 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Sundays at the Macy's food court (third floor), 2171 Northbrook Court Mall, Northbrook. The fee is \$2 for the day; admission is free to newcomers. Call Robert, (847) 945-7150, or Elizabeth, (847) 433-8591.

Community

Skokie Concert Choir will perform its annual Spring Concert with choral music ranging from Jerome Kern to Brahms at 2 p.m. June 14 at Ezra Habonim, Niles Township Jewish Congregation, 4500 Dempster St., Skokie. Tickets cost \$10 for adults and \$4, children and will be available at the door. Call Marcy at (847) 674-3219.

Bicycle Safety Day will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. June 13 at Oakton Park's parking lot, at Oakton Street and Knox Avenue. Children through age 14 can participate in games and win prizes. A bicycle safety course will test their knowledge of the law and their ability to properly handle a bicycle. Bicyclists can register their bicycles with the Skokie Police Department as well. Rain date is June 20. Members of the Skokie Park District, Skokie Police Department and the Skokie Fire Department will be on hand to promote pedestrian and traffic safety. The Skokie Traffic Safety Commission is sponsoring Traffic Safety Week June 7-13. Call the Traffic Engineering Division at (847) 933-8231.

North Boundary Hadassah will tour the new Illinois Holocaust Museum from 4-6 p.m. June 11 at 9603 Woods Drive, Skokie. Meet at the museum for a two-hour docent-led tour of the Zev and Shifra Karkomi Permanent Exhibition. The exhibition tells the story of the Holocaust and presents personal stories of Chicago-area survivors. More than 500 artifacts, documents and photographs. Cost is \$18. Call (847) 675-6790 or visit bigchapter.chicago@hadassah.org

The Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, Bureau of Tourism will present its 2009 Illinois Road Show. The Chicagoland stop on the state-wide tour will take place at 2:30 p.m. June 11 at the Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center, 9603 Woods Drive, in Skokie. Deputy Director Jan Kostner will discuss the significant economic and social benefits of Illinois' ½ travel and tourism industry and share industry news about the 2008 visitor and economic impact numbers, and statewide tourism initiatives. Free. Call (847) 763-0011, Ext. 24.

Ketura-North Boundary Hadassah will present The Choirboys: A Folk Music Concert at 7:30 p.m. June 28 at Temple Judea Mizpah, 8610 Niles Center Road, Skokie. Tickets prices range from \$18-\$36. Call (847) 676-8126.

Lincolnwood's third Annual Farmers Market will run from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Thursdays, June 4-Aug. 20 at St. John's Lutheran Church, 4707 W, Pratt Ave. Buy fresh produce and natural products. Vendors will set up displays that may include fruits, vegetables, bread, pastries, cheese, flowers, honey, and more. Call the Lincolnwood Parks and Recreation Office at (847) 677-9740.

The Little City Used Book Sale, the largest event of its kind in Illinois will open from June 5-14 at Westfield Old Orchard in Skokie. The Book Sale, which will be celebrating its 51st year, typically draws more than 50,000 shoppers with its more than 200,000 used books in 70 subject categories. The event is free, except opening night, June 5, where a \$10 donation is charged. Senior Citizen's Day is scheduled for June 10, Children's Day is June 11, and Bargain Weekend is June 13 -14. More details and schedule updates at www.LittleCityBooksSale.com.

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The Neptune Society is bringing comforting teddy bears to Chicago area children who are hurt, frightened or alone. The Neptune Society Teddy bear program names a teddy bear in honor of every person whose deathcare is handled by Neptune on the one-year anniversary of their death. The teddy bears are then donated to organizations such as Rainbow Hospice in Park Ridge or local fire departments to be given to a child in need.

School District 72 is featuring an open-gym walking program from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday nights at Fairview South School, 7040 Laramie Ave. All Fairview-area residents ages 18 or older are welcome. Walking takes place in the big gym. Parking and entrance is at the rear of the school.

For information about a free meeting space for groups or committees call Lindsey at the Lincolnwood Place Retirement community, (847) 673-7166.

The Skokie Advisory Commission on Disabilities meets at 4 p.m. the third Thursday of each month. The commission works with the human-services division to increase public awareness of the needs of people with disabilities. Call Meryl, (847) 933-8208.

Fund-raiser

The Peace Officer's Memorial Foundation announces its annual 5K Run for the Cops to be held June 7 at Swallow Cliff Forest Preserve in Palos Park. The event is a fund-raising effort to raise \$2.5 million to build the first-ever memorial honoring all police officers killed in the line of duty in Cook County. The Cook County Forest Preserve District is donating land in the Cermak Woods Forest Preserve Lyons for the monument. The first 315 entrants will be guaranteed a shirt, with preferred sizes given on a first-come, first-serve basis. Run for the Cops starts and finishes in the forest preserve, following the 6-mile trail near the old toboggan slides. The race begins at 7:30 a.m. Swallow Cliff Forest Preserve is located off IL 83, 0.5 mile west of US 45 in Cook County. To register for the race and print out a pledge form, log on to www.runforthecops.com or call (708) 424-6749.

Government

A representative from the Niles Township Clerk's office is available by appointment to assist with passport applications, voter registration and temporary handicapped-parking placards. To schedule an appointment, call (847) 673-9300.

Skokie Public Library Board generally meets at 7:30 p.m. the second Wednesday of each month in the board room at the library, 5215 Oakton St., Skokie. Agendas may be obtained before the meeting by calling the administrative office, (847) 324-3128.

Health

The village of Skokie Health Department offers microwave-oven testing to measure for possible radiation leaks. Testing is recommended for older microwave models. Microwaves that have damaged doors or seals may leak harmful radiation. There is no charge but an appointment is required. Skokie residents should call the Environmental Health Division, (847) 933-8484.

An Arthritis Foundation education-and-support group meets 2-3:30 p.m. the first Friday of the month in Room 105 of the Weber Center,

9300 Weber Park Place, Skokie. This group will be facilitated by a clinical social worker and a foundation-certified group leader. Call (847) 674-1500, ext. 2600.

JCFS

Jewish Child & Family Services, 5150 Golf Road, Skokie, will present the following programs:

Comfort through Creativity will be offered from 6:30-8 p.m. June 1. Whatever you need comfort from--an illness, a loss, an addition, care giving, stress--the creative process offers inner calm and peace. Begin to create a journal cover, a memory board or box, or a remembrance of your choice. No artistic talent necessary. Create from your soul. Pre-registration required. \$20 fee. Contact Carol E. Berry at (847) 568-5208 or www.jcfs.org.

Young Adults in Transition meets from 5:45-7 p.m. Thursdays, May 28, June 14 and 28. Social support group for young adults with disabilities who are facing challenges in transitioning towards more independence. Whether a transition from school to work or from living with parents to moving out on one's own, this group is designed to foster social support, conversation, and a safe environment for exploration. Meets second and fourth Thursdays of each month. Fee is \$7 per session. Contact Sheri Fox at (847) 272-2882 or www.jcfs.org.

Senior Drop-In Group meets from 10:30 a.m.-noon Wednesdays at JCFS, 5150 Golf Road, Skokie. Weekly group invites all seniors to discuss whatever is on their minds. Past topics include politics, current events, health issues and relationships. Fee is \$7 per session. Contact Emily Burchfield at (847) 568-5105 or www.jcfs.org.

Bright Ideas ESL (English as a Second Language) Refugees 60 or older meets from 9:15-11:15 a.m. Mondays and Thursdays at Smith Activities Center, 5120 Galitz Street, Skokie. Ongoing ESL class for Russian speaking older adults. Interactive, fun, conversational. Beginners are welcome. Class is based on Bright Ideas ESL Curriculum, developed by the Coalition of Limited English Speaking Elderly (CLESE), specifically for the older learner. Open to refugees only. No fee. Contact Barbara Urbanska-Yeager at (773) 866-5035 or www.jcfs.org.

Coffee and Conversation for Holocaust Survivors meets from 1-2:30 p.m. Mondays at a new location: at the Community Foundation for Jewish Education, 4709 Golf Road, Tower 2, Suite 400, Skokie. Ongoing group for Holocaust survivors to discuss the challenges of aging, politics, current events, news from Israel and family celebrations. No fee. Contact Sheri Fox or David Bier at (847) 568-5200 or www.jcfs.org.

Living with the Alcoholic/Addict meets from 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays, through June 2. This is a five-week group for spouses of the alcoholic/addict. Your spouse may be actively abusing alcohol and other drugs or may be working on a 12-step Recovery program. Sessions educate and empower family members to find a path toward healing and Recovery. Contact Marcy Cohn, (847) 568-5100 or www.jcfs.org.

Parents and Adult Siblings of the Alcoholic/Addict: Find the Path of Hope and Recovery meets from 7-8:30 p.m. Thursdays, through June 4. Your adult family member may be actively abusing alcohol and other drugs or may be working on a 12-step Recovery program. Classes will educate and empower parents and adult siblings to find a path towards healing and recovery. Marcy Cohn, (847) 568-5100 or www.jcfs.org.

Caring for the Caregiver -- Telephone Support Group: A clinical social worker will facilitate three conference calls to share the joys and challenges of caregiving and learn new skills and resources. Call for dates and times. \$45 series fee. Contact Sheri Fox, LCSW, JCFS, (847) 568-5200 or www.jcfs.org.

Starting Over: Adjusting to Life in the USA -- Mondays, 9:30-11 a.m. Join other Russian-speaking immigrants from the former Soviet

Union, ages 55 and older, who will share memories and ideas for adjusting to life in the U.S. Free. Contact Sheri Fox at (847) 568-5200 or Lina Kotlyar, (773) 866-5035 or www.jcfs.org.

When a Parent Dies is a four-week group for people who want to share feelings and gain support through the adjustment and mourning process. Call for dates and time. Series fee is \$60. Contact Tracey Lipsig Kite, at (847) 568-5216. www.jcfs.org.

Boys Therapy Group Grades K-2 -- Wednesdays, 4-5:30 p.m. Weekly, long-term group for boys who have difficulties in group settings. Enhance social skills and the ability to practice interactive and problem solving skills in a safe, supportive environment. Meeting with group leader required before finalizing registration. \$50 per session. Contact Linnet Miller.

Girls Art Psychotherapy Group Grades 3-5 -- Thursdays, 4:30-6 p.m. Weekly, long-term group for girls who have difficulty thriving in group settings. Enhance social skills by addressing interactive and problem solving skills in a safe, supportive environment. Meeting with group leader required before finalizing registration. \$50 per session fee. Contact Robin Davis.

Get Together for Parents & Children, ages 4 and under -- Tuesdays, 2-3 p.m. Opportunity for parents to meet with other parents with young children. Get away from feeling "cooped up" and "isolated" by sharing experiences, ideas, and concerns with other parents and staff whose skills are in family and child development. Discuss development issues and watch them unfold as your child plays. \$10 per session fee. Contact Joanne Kestnbaum.

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Library

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English as a Second Language classes meet from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays. Sponsored by Oakton Community College. Free.

Knitting classes are taught by Bertha Gimbel. Participants ages 10 and older will learn the basics of knit and purl, and create a project of choice. Anyone interested in brushing up on knitting skills or joining a knitting group is welcome. Adults classes meet from 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays and children and adults 3:30-5 p.m. Fridays.

The Adult Stamp Club meets at 7 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of the month at the Lincolnwood Library.

The Mac User's Club meets from 7-9 p.m. the second Thursday of the month at the Lincolnwood Public Library, 4000 W. Pratt Ave., Lincolnwood. Call (847) 677-5277.

The Friends of the Lincolnwood Public Library meet from 7:30-9 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month at the library, 4000 W. Pratt Ave., Lincolnwood. Call (847) 677-5277.

Humanities Treasures, a free weekly discussion group, meets from 1-3 p.m. Wednesdays at Lincolnwood Public Library, 4000 W. Pratt

Ave., Lincolnwood. Call (847) 677-5277.

The Lincolnwood Public Library Board meets at 7:30 p.m. the fourth Thursday of the month in the library's conference room, 4000 W. Pratt Ave., Lincolnwood. The public is welcome. Call (847) 677-5277.

The Skokie Public Library, 5215 Oakton St., offers Russian-language computer assistance. Call (847) 324-3113.

Parenting

Parks

Several water exercise classes will be offered at the Lincolnwood Aquatic Center, 7155 Kostner Ave., Lincolnwood registration is required. Call the Lincolnwood Parks and Recreation Office, (847) 677-9740.

Aquanastics will be offered from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays June 16-Aug. 6. The class is a variety of fun and fitness activities set to music. It offers therapeutic value for those who need a regular program of rhythmic movement. Cost is \$65 for residents and \$81, nonresidents. **Step Aquanastics (Class No. 1)**, is Step in the pool. It's an alternative to land step and traditional aquatic exercise. This class will use Steps and noodles. Sessions will run from 9-10 a.m. Sundays, June 14-Aug. 16. Cost is \$50 resident and \$65, nonresident. **Step Aquanastics (Class No. 2)**, will be held from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays June 15-Aug 5. Cost is \$65, resident and \$81, nonresident.

Deep Water Aerobics is an hour-long high intensity aerobic workout in deep water. Flotation belts will keep participants buoyant at shoulder level for a completely "non-impact" high intensity workout. Classes will be held from 11:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Session I runs from June 16-July 9, and Session II, July 21-Aug. 13. Cost is \$50 resident and \$65, nonresident.

The Lincolnwood Community Center, 6900 N. Lincoln Ave., in Lincolnwood, is available for rent to businesses, individuals and families of Lincolnwood as well as those living nearby. Amenities includes round or rectangular tables, banquet chairs, kitchen, TV, podium with microphone, coffeepot, and tablecloths. To our the building, inquire about availability, or a renter information packet, call (847) 677-9740.

Lincolnwood Parks & Recreation will host Concerts in the Park from 6 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Wednesdays, June 17, July 22 and Aug. 19 at Proesel Park Shelter (Corner of Kostrier & Morse), Lincolnwood. June 17-- Chicago Groove Collective features a diverse variety of music, including rock, Motown, R&B, funk, contemporary and jazz. July 22-- The Class of 68 is dedicated to the: Golden Age of Top 40; and Aug. 19-- Rica Obsesion performs a variety of music such as mergenues by Olga Tanon, Melina Leon. and cha cha chas by the late Tito Puente and many Latin jazz tunes. Free and open to the Public. For more information contact the Lincolnwood Parks & Recreation Office at (847) 677-9740.

A lineup of various summer camps offered includes arts and crafts, games, sports, instructional/recreational swimming, in-house entertainment and field trips for 18-month-olds to ninth-graders. Specialty camps are also available for a more streamlined camp experience. Call Lincolnwood Parks & Recreation, (847) 677-9740.

Maine-Niles Association of Special Recreation's seasonal brochure for summer is available. M-NASR offers individuals with physical and mental challenges, behavior and learning disorders, hearing and visual impairments and emotional disabilities the opportunity to enjoy a variety of recreation activities. Registration begins upon delivery of the brochure. Maine-Niles serves the towns of Des Plaines, Golf-Maine, Lincolnwood, Morton Grove, Niles, Park Ridge and Skokie. To receive a seasonal brochure or to offer support for individuals with special needs by volunteering, call (847) 966-5522.

A laughter yoga class will be from 1:15-2 p.m. Tuesdays at the Weber Center, 9300 Weber Park Place, Skokie. Laughter yoga combines simulated laughter, yogic breathing and playful laughter exercises. The first class is free. The fee is \$5 for Skokie residents; \$6,

nonresidents; free, Fitness First! members. Call (847) 251-8518, or visit www.laughteryoganorthshore.com.

The Skokie Park District offers bridge at the advanced level from 9 a.m.-noon Thursdays at Oakton Community Center, 4701 W. Oakton St., Skokie. Come alone or bring a partner. There is no charge for the first visit, but there is a nominal fee to participate on a regular basis. Call (847) 329-9533.

Religion

Temple Judea Mizpah hosts current events discussions at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Wednesdays at 8610 Niles Center Road, Skokie. Bring your opinions and enjoy learning from Lester Mehlman and June Michaelson.

Reunions

St. Lambert School class of 1962 will hold its 47-year reunion the weekend of June 26-28. Classmates will meet Friday at 7 p.m. at Hackney's on Lake, 1514 E Lake Ave, Glenview, for appetizers and fellowship (cash bar). After a 5 p.m. Saturday Mass at St. Lambert Church, 8148 Karlov Ave, Skokie, classmates will enjoy beverages and a buffet in Roberts Hall. The cost is \$25 per person and a group photo is available for \$15. Plans for Sunday are fluid. For reservations, for either event visit SLSCClass62@gmail.com, or send your contact information to Marilyn Miller, 1432 Estate Lane, Glenview, IL 60025. Spouses and significant others are also invited.

January classmates of Chicago's Roosevelt High School Class of 1959 will reunite Aug. 21 and 22 at the Embassy Suites in Deerfield. A pizza party is highlighted for Friday evening and additional activities are planned for Saturday. Contact Jerry Krecun, (708) 863-6660 or pkrecun@comcast.net.

WMTH-FM, the high school radio station owned and operated by the Maine Township High Schools, will celebrate 50 years of broadcasting in 2009. Broadcasting from a small studio at Maine East High School, the first program was aired December 20, 1959. Over the past 50 years the station has grown to include radio and television studios at each of the high schools. Plans are under way for an alumni gathering for students and faculty staff members to be held the weekend of Sept. 25-27 in the Park Ridge/Des Plaines area. A reunion committee has been formed to locate all former WMTH-FM alumni. Contact reunion@wmthalumni.com.

Scholarships

The Illinois Sons of Italy Foundation is offering \$1,000 college scholarships to high school seniors who have full or partial Italian ancestry. The foundation will award students who will graduate this year from a recognized public or private Illinois high school. Applicants will be selected on the basis of financial need; scholastic achievements; activities in high school showing character and leadership; applicants' personal essays and faculty recommendations. For applications contact the Illinois Sons of Italy Foundation, 9447 W. 144th Place, Orland Park IL 60402, with a self-addressed, stamped envelope, or e-mail osiail@aol.com. The deadline is July 1. Winners will be notified by Aug. 31.

Seniors

Lincolnwood Social Club 55+ welcomes Myra Estes to teach Mah Jongg from 12:30 to 2 p.m. through June 25 at Lincolnwood Community Center, Lincolnwood. \$35 for member and \$40, nonmembers. Registration required. Call (847) 677-9740.

Lincolnwood Place Retirement Community, 7000 N. McCormick Blvd. RSVP to Lindsey, (847) 673-7166, ext. 4204, hosts the following events: **An Tai Chi class** with Francesca at 10 a.m. every Monday and Wednesday in Auditorium II; **Gitta's Yiddish Music** Discussion Group meets at 1:30 p.m. Fridays in the Card Room; **A free stretch-and-tone class** take place at 10 a.m. Tuesdays, with a free strength-

training class follows at 11 a.m. (847) 673-7166; **A free low-impact fitness class** is held at 10 a.m. Fridays; **The Super Club**, a social club for Jewish seniors, meets from 3-4:30 p.m. the first and third Sundays of the month at Rush North Shore Medical Center, 9600 Gross Point Road, Skokie. Call Phyllis, (847) 583-9328.

A low-vision support group meets from 1:30 -3 p.m. the second Tuesday of every month at the Smith Activities Center, 5120 Galitz St., Skokie. Anyone interested is invited to attend. Call (847) 933-8208.

A hearing-loss support group meets from 1:30-3 p.m. the second Thursday of every month at the Smith Activities Center, 5120 Galitz St., Skokie. Call (847) 933-8208.

The Silver Singers perform from 3-4 p.m. the first Monday of each month at the Smith Activities Center, 5120 Galitz St., Skokie. Call (847) 933-8208.

The Skokie Park District's Sociable Seniors enjoy movies at 1 p.m. every other Friday at the Oakton Community Center, 4701 Oakton St., Skokie. The fee is \$1 for nonmembers; free, members. Call (847) 933-4969.

Adult computer classes are under way at the Skokie Park District. For class information and fees call (847) 933-4969.

The Skokie Park District's gratitude club meets the first Tuesday of each month to discuss a variety of topics, including self-improvement and self-awareness. The fee is \$2 for Skokie residents; \$4, nonresidents. For reservations, call (847) 933-4969.

Lincolnwood Mayor Jerry Turry's Rescue Rangers is a program for senior residents who lack the resources, and are unable, to complete daily living tasks, such as shoveling snow, walking a pet or placing garbage totes. Local teens assist seniors with these tasks. Call (847) 745-4717.

Lincolnwood Social Club 55+ in the Lincolnwood Community Center, 6900 N. Lincoln Ave., Lincolnwood, features a Weights & Movement exercise class from 9-10 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Cost is \$2 for members per class; \$3, guests. Call the Parks & Recreation Office at (847) 677-9740 for registration.. **Lincolnwood Social Club 55+** meets for Bridge from 1-3:30 p.m. Mondays (excluding legal holidays) at 6900 N. Lincoln Ave., Lincolnwood. Admission is free for members. Call the Parks & Recreation office at (847) 677-9740.

Lincolnwood Social Club 55+ meets for Mah Jongg from 12:30-3 p.m. Thursdays (excluding legal holidays) at 6900 N. Lincoln Ave., Lincolnwood. Admission is free for members. Call the Parks & Recreation office at (847) 677-9740.

Senior drop-in group meets from 10:30 a.m.-noon Wednesdays at Jewish Family and Community Service, 5150 Golf Road, Skokie, to discuss whatever is on your mind. Call Susan, (847) 568-5200. Go to www.jfcschicago.org.

Senior men are welcome to meet old friends and make new ones at a weekly discussion group, meeting from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Wednesdays at the Weber Center, 9300 Weber Park Place, Skokie. Free. Call Marvin, (847) 674-9656, Monty, (847) 674-4441, or Irving, (847) 967-7979.

Support

The Les Turner ALS Foundation Support Group meets from 7-8:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of every month (June 10, July 8) at Temple Beth Israel, 3601 W. Dempster St., Skokie. For directions, call (847) 675-0951. Those attending are asked to notify Claire Owen, director of patient services, (847) 679-3311 or cowen@lesturnerals.org.

FOCUS is a support group for visually impaired, working-age adults. The group meets from 7-8:30 p.m. one evening per month. Participants have stimulating discussions, share ideas, and plan and participate in social activities. For meeting information and location, call Juanita, (847) 933-8208.

Weight No More, a friendly weight-loss support group, welcomes new members. Meetings are from 9:15-10:15 a.m. Fridays at the Howard Leisure Center, 6676 Howard St., Niles, on the lower level (elevator accessible). Discussions include weight-loss tips, recipes, contests and ideas to help participants reach their goals. Participants are charged \$5-a-month dues and small fines for weight gains. The member who loses the most weekly weight receives a prize providing he or she was present at the previous meeting. Call (847) 679-4229, or stop in for a meeting.

Rush North Shore Medical Center, in collaboration with the Cancer Wellness Center, hosts a cancer support group at 11 a.m. the third Thursday of the month at 9701 N. Knox Ave., Skokie. People diagnosed with cancer and their family members are invited to share information and receive support. Call (847) 509-9595.

Legacy is a free, ongoing grief support group for adults who have experienced the death of a parent. The group meets from 6:30-8 p.m. the first and third Tuesdays of the month at the NorthShore University HealthSystem Home & Hospice Services office, 4901 Searle Parkway, Skokie. Registration is required; call Thom Dennis, (847) 982-4364.

Soul Mates is a free, ongoing grief support group for anyone who has experienced the death of a spouse or life partner. The group meets from 6:30-8 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at the NorthShore University HealthSystem Home & Hospice Services office, 4901 Searle Parkway, Skokie. Registration is required. Call Thom Dennis, (847) 982-4364.

Crossroads is a free, ongoing group for adults whose spouse died one year ago or more. Focus of the group is to provide an environment for socialization with other people who have experienced a similar loss. Activities and topics discussed will be generated by the group. The group meets from 1-2:30 p.m. the first and third Tuesdays of the month at the NorthShore University HealthSystem Home & Hospice Services office, 4901 Searle Parkway, Skokie. Registration is required; call Thom Dennis, (847) 982-4364.

The Treatment and Research Advancements Association for Personality Disorders holds a monthly support group for people suffering from Borderline Personality Disorder. The group meets from 6:30-8:45 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month at Rush North Shore Medical Center, 9600 Gross Point Road, Skokie. Space is limited. For reservations, e-mail rh5mail-tara@yahoo.com. To learn more about The Treatment and Research Advancements Association for Personality Disorders go to TARA4bpd.org.

Knitted Together: A Circle of Support meets from 1:30-3:30 p.m. every other Tuesday at the NorthShore University HealthSystem Home & Hospice office, 4901 Searle Parkway, Skokie. The free support group is facilitated by longtime knitter and ENH Hospice chaplain Maureen Martin. Some beginning knitting experience is necessary. Call Thom Dennis, (847) 982-4364, or visit www.enh.org/hospice.

A weekly senior drop-in group meets from 10:30 a.m.-noon Wednesdays at 5150 Golf Road, Skokie. Participants discuss politics, current events, health, relationships and more. The fee is \$7 per session. Call (847) 468-5105.

Starting Over: Adjusting to Life in the United States meets from 9:30-11 a.m. Mondays at 5150 Golf Road, Skokie. The free program is for Russian-speaking immigrants age 55 and older from the former Soviet Union. Call Sheri, (847) 568-5200, or Lina, (773) 866-5035.

Coffee and Conversation for Holocaust Survivors is from 1-2:30 p.m. Mondays at the Holocaust Memorial Foundation, 4709 Golf Road, Skokie. Participants discuss challenges of aging, politics and current events, news from Israel and family celebrations. Free. Call (847) 568-5200.

Compulsive Eaters Anonymous meetings are as follows: 7-8 p.m. Mondays in Room 259 of the Lieberman Center, 9700 Gross Point

Road, Skokie -- call Charlene, (847) 679-2505; 7-8 p.m. Tuesdays at Rush North Shore Medical Center's administrative center, 2 S. 9600 Gross Point Road, Skokie -- call Cherri, (847) 933-9501; 7-8 p.m. Wednesdays at Rush North Shore Medical Center's administrative center, 2 S. 9600 Gross Point Road, Skokie -- call Linda, (773) 387-4247; and 11:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m. Sundays at Rush North Shore Medical Center (Sharfstein East), 9600 Gross Point Road, Skokie -- call Charlene, (847) 679-2505.

La Leche League of Evanston and Wilmette welcomes all mothers and babies to meetings offering breastfeeding information and support. Meetings are twice a month at 9:30 a.m. the first Wednesday at Skokie Valley Baptist Church, 1050 Skokie Blvd., Wilmette, and at 7 p.m. the second Thursday at St. Francis Hospital, 355 Ridge Ave., Evanston. Call Elaine, (773) 545-2673, or Claudia, (847) 251-6407.

Turning Point's outpatient group program offers groups for children and adults with chronic mental illness. Members receive support, education and therapy both from other group members and a credentialed staff member. Groups may be used as an alternative to individual psychotherapy, or as an additional opportunity for personal growth, learning coping skills or recovering from mental illness. Groups offered include: bipolar disorder, substance-abuse recovery, anger management, support for those with a mentally ill family member and social-skills building for children. More groups will be added in the future. Groups meet in 10-week sessions. The fee is \$16 per session. Call Julie, (847) 933-0051, Ext. 438.

The National Alliance on Mental Illness, Cook County North Suburban chapter, invites the public to its "caring and sharing" support group. This group is for family and friends of someone with a mental illness. The free program meets 7-8:30 p.m. the first Monday of every month at the Kenton-Knox Conference Center, 9701 N. Knox Ave., Skokie. Call (847) 724-1460, or visit www.namiccns.org.

Volunteers

CJE SeniorLife is in need of more volunteers for its home-delivered meals program in the Evanston, Skokie and Morton Grove areas. Hot and cold meals are delivered between 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. weekdays. Volunteers work in teams of two; one person drives and the other delivers the meals to the client's door. Volunteers may choose one or two weekdays on a regular basis to deliver meals or assist as their schedules permit. Call Cookie, (773) 508-1014.

Evanston Northwestern Healthcare Hospice's volunteer program offers opportunities to work with patients and families dealing with a terminal illness. Daytime hospice volunteers are needed to provide companionship and emotional support to patients and relief for their caregivers, provide transportation, run errands and perform light household tasks. An eight-week training course is from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wednesdays at 4901 Searle Parkway, Skokie. To register, call (847) 982-4365.

Rush North Shore Medical Center seeks hospital volunteers for day, evening and weekend positions including: emergency-room liaison, patient visitor, transporting patients, delivering flowers and greeting guests. Volunteers work four-hour shifts during the day and three-hour shifts in the evening. To obtain a volunteer application form, call (847) 933-6540, or visit www.rnsmc.org.

The Home Delivered Meals Program for the village of Skokie seeks drivers to deliver meals to Skokie's homebound seniors. If you can spare an hour per week from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., call Terri Williams, (847) 933-8208.

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