

## Village of Arlington Heights

For Ages 55+



## **JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2025**



1801 W. Central Road Arlington Heights, IL 60005

Mon/Wed 8:30 a.m.- 8:00 p.m.

Tues/Thurs/Fri 8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. Saturday 8:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.



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The Arlington Heights Senior Center is thrilled to announce the launch of its very own Facebook page! The Center, owned and operated by the Village, is unique due to its agency partnerships, varied collaborators, and stakeholders. The Senior Center Village staff is excited to tell stories about our awesome participants, dispel aging and senior center myths, and celebrate all we do together.

Please follow us, tell your friends, and share with your family! If you have something you would like us to share, please contact Tracey Colagrossi, Senior Center Manager, at 847-797-5301 or tcolagrossi@vah.com.



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#### **Center Tours**

The Arlington Heights Senior Center is open to persons age 55 and better from any community. No membership required. Tours are the <u>1st &</u> <u>3rd Wednesdays at 10 a.m.</u> Please contact the Senior Center to sign up for a tour!

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Persons with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services, such as an American Sign Language interpreter or written materials in accessible formats, should contact Erin Mercado, 33 S. Arlington Heights Road, Arlington Heights, Illinois 60005, <u>emercado@vah.com</u> or (847) 368-5793.

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Mon/Wed 8:30 am - 8:00 pm

Tues/Thurs/Fri 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Sat. 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

#### Arlington Heights Memorial Library

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Reading Room Mon - Fri 9:00 am - 4:30 pm Saturdays 8:30 am -12:30pm

Computer Lab M/W/F 9:00 am - 2:00 pm T/Th 11 am - 2 pm Sat. 9 am - 12:00 pm

#### Arlington Heights Park District

847.797.5341 www.aphd.org/

Park District Office & Shop 1801 (Gift Store) Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

#### Arlington Heights Nurses Club Lending Closet

847.797.5315

Mon: 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Tues: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Wed: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Thurs: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Fri: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Sat: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

#### Meals on Wheels Northeastern Illinois

847.797.5354

https:// mealsonwheelsnei.org/

Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

Lunch served and pickup available between 12 pm -1:15 pm. Please call for information.

Catholic Charities Northwest Senior Services

847.253.5500 infoccnw@catholiccharities.net

www.catholiccharities.net

Monday - Thursday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Senior Center Closing Dates <u>January 1</u> New Year's Day <u>January 18 & 20</u>

MLK Jr. Day

#### Connections to Care 847.222.9227

www.connectionstocare.org

Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 2:30 pm

#### Endeavor Health/ Northwest Community Hospital

847.618.1000

www.nch.org

Hours: Vary

Please note the agency color codes below. Soon these will be seen throughout the Senior Center for better wayfinding and now featured within the Newsletter!

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## FEATURED PROGRAMS ARLINGTON HEIGHTS SENIOR CENTER

#### Advisory Council Events

The following programs are hosted by the Arlington Heights Senior Center Advisory Council. Funding for the entertainment is provided by <u>Arlington Heights Senior Center, Inc.</u>

#### Valentine's Day Celebration with Hersey High School Love Bus Friday, February 14 12:00 - 1:30 p.m. · Fee: \$2

Hersey High School's Love Bus will return for this beloved event! Hersey's Service Over Self Club will help us celebrate Valentine's Day with performances by students in Show Choir, Poms, Dance, Cheerleaders and more! Enjoy a sweet treat during the performances. <u>Please register by February 7th.</u>



#### 2025 Great Decisions: Foreign Policy Association Saturdays: 2/8, 3/8, 4/12, 5/10, 8/9, 9/13, 10/11, 11/8

9:30 - 11:00 a.m. · Free The 2024 program series begins in February, but new participants are welcome to join



any or all meeting dates. Participants are responsible for securing their own book, available in hard copy from https:// www.fpa.org/ or in E-book format from other sources. **Program funded by Arlington Heights Senior Center, Inc.** 

#### Decorating for the Lunar New Year

Wednesday, January 8 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. Fee: \$2 Educator Yvonne Wolf,

Educator Yvonne Wolf, intercultural consultant and founder of Chinese



Intercultural, LLC., presents an introduction to the Chinese papercutting art as it relates to other cultures. She will bring samples of Chinese master artwork papercutting as well as show beginner projects that can be finished within a few minutes. Chinese characters such as "Spring" 春. Peace, and the Zodiac animal of the year, Snake, will be introduced and explained. Templates will be provided. If you are a papercutting master or first timer who wants to learn to cut a snowflake, you'll find something interesting to start a new paper hobby.

#### Parkinson's Club of AH 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday each month January 9 & February 13 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

The Parkinson's Club of AH is a volunteer led monthly meeting for individuals with Parkinson's Disease, family members, friends and caretakers. At each meeting, we will have time to share what has gone well for each of us in the last month, and what challenges we have faced. At some meetings, we will follow up our sharing time with outside speakers from the medical field, government agencies and the community. **This is a drop-in program, and no pre-registration is required.** 

#### The Lincoln Assassination Saturday, January 11 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. Fee: \$2

Historian Jim Gibbons will take you back to this most tragic moment in our nation's history, presenting "The Lincoln Assassination." Gibbons will show the

events leading before, during, and after this gripping episode in our nation's history. After seeing Gibbons presentation, you will see why the Secretary of War, Edwin M. Stanton, summed up Lincoln's passing by stating, "Now he belongs to the ages!"

#### Alzheimer's/Dementia Caregiver Support Group Mondays: January 13 & February 10 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. · Free

Facilitated by Jim Harbaugh, this group focuses on you, the Caregiver, by teaching you coping skills and allowing you to meet other caregivers who face the same challenges caring for their loved ones suffering from Alzheimer's/Dementia.

Drop-in. No registration needed.

Pizza & Movie: *Miracle Club* Monday, January 13 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Fee: \$2

Starring: Maggie Smith, Laura Linney, Kathy Bates Directed by: Garry Marshall PG-13, 1 h. 30 min., 2023

Set in 1967, *The Miracle Club* follows the story of three generations of close friends, Lily (Maggie Smith), Eileen (Kathy Bates), and Dolly (Agnes O'Casey) of Ballygar, outside Dublin, who win a pilgrimage to the sacred French town of Lourdes, that place of miracles that draws



millions of visitors each year. Just before their trip, their old friend Chrissie (Laura Linney) arrives in Ballygar for her mother's funeral. The women set out on the journey that they hope will change their lives, with Chrissie, a skeptical traveler, joining in place of her mother. Along the way, old wounds are reopened, forcing the women to confront their pasts even as they travel in search of a miracle.

#### Lunch 'n Learn with Village Manager, Randy Recklaus Wednesday, January 15

Free Join Arlington Heights Village Manager, Randy Recklaus for his



Manager, Randy Recklaus for his quarterly update on projects of interest in the Village. Complimentary cheese pizza lunch is included. <u>Please register by</u>

January 10<sup>th</sup> to reserve a seat and a lunch.

#### Kid Connections Free

12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Wednesday, January 15, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 26, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

You are invited to make connections with local kids! You'll team up with area students to engage in fun activities, such as board games, crafts, and other fun challenges. This activity is open to any patrons who have gone through the Village of Arlington Heights's screening process. If you are a current volunteer, you are eligible. Please register separately for each date in advance. If you haven't volunteered before but would like to participate, please stop by the front desk to pick up and submit the one-time paperwork necessary to be a part of this activity. Please register by January 6 and/or February 17 respectively





#### \*PLEASE NOTE: ALL FEATURED PROGRAMS REQUIRE REGISTRATION UNLESS NOTED AS DROP-IN

•Newsletter subscribers priority registration PHONE OR IN-PERSON ONLY: <u>through December</u> 26

•Non-subscribers: starting December 27

•Online registration begins: <u>December 27</u> Payment due 5 days prior to program WALLET PAYMENTS NOW ACCEPTED ONLIINE!

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## FEATURED PROGRAMS **ARLINGTON HEIGHTS SENIOR CENTER**

**Rainbow Connections Discussion Group** 

Friday, January 17 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. **Rainbow Connections** Discussion Group is for individual identifying as



LGBTQ and allies (friends and families). The Village and Library collaborate on these monthly discussions which revolve around timely topics in a safe space. In our January session, we will view the movie "Will & Harper" and discuss. Comedic Actor Will Ferrell and his close friend, former head writer at SNL, Harper Steele, embark on a cross-country road trip together after Harper comes out as a trans woman. Registration required.

#### Simple Soup Making Tuesday, January 21 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Fee: \$2 \*lecture only, no tasting\* Join Home Economist Educator Becky Booth for a fresh look at a

seasonal favorite food: Soup! She will share how to create delicious healthy meals with lots of 'cheats' for you to make it quick and easy.

#### What is a Masterpiece? Wednesday, January 22 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Fee: \$2

In this practical guide, art historian Denise Laurin discusses the criteria that art historians use to determine

whether a work of art can be designated as a "masterpiece". Several works of Western art that were considered a break from tradition in their day, and even controversial, are featured. The goal of this talk is to stimulate audience members to ask whether objective criteria for judging art exists, or alternatively, how to determine for ourselves what constitutes a masterpiece.

Artful Saturday: Wet Felted Flower Brooch Saturday, January 25 9:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Fee: \$2 Join the Senior Center Manager, Tracey Colagrossi, to create your very own colorful flower brooch sure

enough to brighten a cold winter day. Make one for yourself or a friend! Wet Felting is art created by creating friction with roving wool fibers to sculpt dimensional objects out of wool.



**Evening Concert: Lisa Rock -**The Music of the Carpenters Monday, January 27 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Fee: \$2

Considered one of the best vocalists of all time, Karen Carpenter captured the attention of a generation with the surprisingly deep material of her unabashedly catchy pop music. Singer and playwright Lisa Rock has compiled a moving tribute to the music and life of Carpenter, and brings it to the stage. Dedicated to re-creating the true sound of The Carpenters, Rock showcases some of the most memorable songs of the 70s including "We've Only Just Begun," "Rainy Days and Mondays," and of course "Close to You."



Age Friendly Livable Community **Listening Session** Wednesday, January 29 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

The Village of Arlington Heights Senior Citizens Commission is

hosting an Age-Friendly Livable Community Listening Session featuring a focus on housing and livability as an older adult living in Arlington Heights. The Commission is interested in your thoughts, feedback and recommendations in their upcoming AARP Progress Report for the Village.

#### **Movie Music Romance** Saturday, February 1 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. Fee: \$2

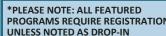
Please join us for this uplifting 80-minute tour through the

years of pure lyrical genius, all filled with familiar faces, among them Fred Astaire, Ginger Rogers, Judy Garland, Audrey Hepburn, Julie Andrews, John Travolta and The Beatles. It's a fresh approach to film history, with each segment put into perspective by narrator and film history buff John LeGear. We think you'll be pleasantly surprised. We know you'll be humming a happy tune afterward. See you there!



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#### First Person Portrayal: The Trials of

Mrs. Abraham Lincoln Monday, February 3 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Fee: \$2 Join author and storyteller Lynn Rymarz as she follows Mary's journey, which takes her from her days in Springfield, Illinois, where



she meets and marries Abraham Lincoln to the White House where she becomes the nation's First Lady. Hear of her joys and the trials she experiences along the way, including her stay in an insane asylum in Batavia, Illinois.

#### Pizza & Movie: Wonka Wednesday, February 12 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Fee: \$2

Starring: Timothée Chalamet, Hugh Grant, Olivia Colman Directed by: Paul King PG, 1 h. 56 min., 2023



With dreams of opening a shop in a city renowned for its chocolate, a young and poor Willy Wonka discovers that the industry is run by a cartel of greedy chocolatiers.

#### **Evening Concert: Wayne Messmer** Wednesday, February 19

6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Fee: \$2



Wayne Messmer is a native-born Chicagoan, veteran entertainer and one of Chicago's most recognized voices. He has been seen and heard for decades performing the National Anthem for the Chicago Cubs, Chicago Wolves Hockey, Blackhawks, Bears, Bulls, White Sox, Chicago Sting Soccer,

Loyola and Northwestern Universities. Messmer is also a musical performer described as a "singer of remarkable talent," reminiscent of the song stylings of Frank Sinatra, Tony Bennett, Nat King Cole and the other great crooners of the golden era of popular music.

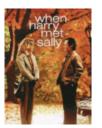
## PROGRAMS REQUIRE REGISTRATION





When Harry Met Sally Friday, January 10 1:00 p.m. Starring: Billy Crystal, Meg Ryan, Carrie Fisher Directed by: Rob Reiner R, 1h. 35min, 1989

In 1977, college graduates Harry Burns (Billy Crystal) and Sally Albright (Meg Ryan) share a contentious car ride from Chicago to New York, during which they argue about whether men and women can ever truly be strictly platonic friends. Ten years later, Harry and Sally meet again at a bookstore, and in the company of their respective best friends, Jess (Bruno Kirby) and Marie (Carrie Fisher), attempt to stay friends without romance becoming an issue between them.



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#### Somewhere in Time Friday, February 7 \*1st Friday this month 1:00 p.m.

Starring: Christopher Reeve, Jane Seymour, Christopher Plummer Directed by: Jeannot Szwarc PG, 1h. 43min, 1980 In 1972, playwright Richard Collier (Christopher Reeve) becomes fascinated by a photo of Elise McKenna (Jane Seymour), a turn-of-the-century stage actress, while staying at the Grand Hotel in Mackinac Island, Michigan. As Richard's obsession grows, he learns from a friend that time travel may actually be possible through hypnosis. Richard travels in time to meet Elise, and the two appear destined to be together. However, Elise's jealous manager (Christopher Plummer) attempts to keep them apart.



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## 6 CLUBS & GAMES ARLINGTON HEIGHTS SENIOR CENTER

#### Drop-in unless otherwise noted

Baggo (bean bag toss game) 2nd/4th Saturdays: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Billiards

Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Saturdays: 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Bingo

Wednesdays: 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. 25 cent cards

**Canasta (Aces & 7's)** 1st/3rd Fridays: 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

**Card Making Club** Seasonal Cards for Meals on Wheels Recipients

Fridays: 11/1 & 12/6 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. during regular crop

**Chess Club** Tuesdays: 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Four chess sets provided

#### Coloring Club

1st & 3rd Monday 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. Coloring supplies provided or bring your own

#### Cookbook Club

1:15 - 2:15 p.m.



Thursday, January 16: Crockpot/Casserole Recipes Thursday, February 20: Game Day Recipes

Are you seeking some new ideas for dinner? Do you like exchanging recipes and sharing cooking techniques? Join our Cookbook Club! Each month, we will bring a recipe and preparation tips to share that fit with the theme. <u>Optional: You may also bring in a sample of your</u> recipe to share.

#### Cribbage

**Gin Rummy** 

Tuesdays: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Cribbage boards provided.

#### Duplicate Bridge

Wednesdays: 12:00 - 4:00 p.m. Euchre

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays: 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.



Hand & Foot Card Club

Thursdays: 1:30 - 4:00 p.m.

Tuesdays (except 4th Tues. of month) 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

#### M2M (Memories to Memoirs) Writers Club

1/21 & 2/18 · 1:30 - 3:30 p.m. Your written memories will be treasured by your family and you will enjoy the support from fellow M2M Writers Club members in a non-critical atmosphere. In-person is drop-in.

#### Mah Jongg

Mondays: 12:00 - 4:00 p.m. Thursdays: 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Game sets provided on a first come first served basis.



#### **Meditation Sessions**

1st/3rd Mondays: NO SESSION 1/20 - AHSC CLOSED 1/6, 2/3, 2/17  $\cdot$  10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Monastics from The Blue Lotus Temple in Woodstock offers Guided Meditation Sessions that focus on Mindfulness and Lovingkindness. The Sessions are one hour long and include Meditation, followed by chanting and concludes with a wisdom talk (Dhamma) teaching about the application of Buddhist principles in our everyday personal practice.

#### **Open Card Room Hours**

Wed: 8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Thurs: 12:30 - 4:30 p.m. Fri: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Sat: 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. The Card Room is available on a first come, first served basis

#### Park Place Investment Club

Tuesdays: 1/28 & 2/25 · 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. This club reviews the performance of stocks owned by the club and works to identify new stocks to purchase. People interested in the club can attend two monthly meetings before deciding to participate. Members are required to pay monthly dues of \$25.00 which is used to fund new stock investments. Advance registration required - call Jim Nauheimer at 847.577.1392 to sign up.

#### Ping Pong

Mondays 12:30 - 7:30 pm Saturdays: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Pinochle 2nd/4th Thursdays: 12:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Poker 1st/3rd Tuesdays: 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

#### Portfolio Investment Club

1/22 & 2/26 · 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. This club utilizes the principles of Value Investing. We use the highly regarded Finviz Stock Screener to manage our portfolio of stocks, which are allocated to one of 10 separate sectors. Members must have personal computer skills and knowledge of Excel spreadsheets.

#### Rummikub 2nd/4th Mondays 1:00 - 3:30 p.m. Sets provided

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#### Scrapbooking and More!

Fridays: 1/3, 1/17, 2/7, 2/21 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Work on your own album or card making projects. Bring your own supplies, a variety of tools are available for your use. All paper crafters are welcome!



#### Virtual Scrapbooking:

Thursdays: 1/23 & 2/27 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. \*REGISTER for Zoom link.

Wii Bowling Tuesdays & Fridays: 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.

#### Women's Wealth Investment Club 1/22 & 2/26, 5:00 p.m.

We are a group of 19 women who meet monthly to discuss the value of the stocks we own, buy more shares or introduce a new stock. We vote. Members pay a one- time fee to the club of \$100 to join. Each month members invest at least \$35.00 into their own accounts.

#### TEXAS HOLD 'EM POKER PLAYERS NEEDED!

We have a few people interested in playing Texas Hold 'em. IF you would like to play this came, please contact our main office and we will coordinate time and place.



#### PINOCHLE PLAYERS NEEDED!

Are you a pinochle player looking for a group to play with? We have the time and space already reserved for you! Please let us know if you're interested in playing during the times below and we'll get the word out! 2nd/4th Thursdays: 12:30 - 3:30 p.m.





#### Senior Center Musical Group 2nd/4th Fridays: 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.

Haven't played for years? This is the place to come! Dust off that old band instrument! We play a wide range of music and most of it is very easy!

Ukulele Singing Circle 1st/3rd Fridays: 1:30 - 3:00 p.m. Join in to play, sing or just share the music!



## ARLINGTON HEIGHTS MEMORIAL LIBRARY ARLINGTON HEIGHTS SENIOR CENTER

#### LIBRARY PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

The library's Reading Room branch is open for browsing and materials checkout from 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m., Monday– Friday and Saturdays from 8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Register your library card from any Illinois library for checkout privileges. For questions regarding library services or programs at the Senior Center, call us at 847-870-3712 or email seniorservices@ahml.info.

#### **Computer Room**

Windows PCs are available for one-hour use Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m.–2 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday from 11 a.m.–2 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m.–noon.

The Reading Room and Computer Room will be closed January 1, 18 and 20.

DISCUSSIONS Join the conversation.

#### **CURRENT EVENTS**

Thursdays, January 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, February 6, 13, 20, and 27, 10–11:15 a.m. In-Person or Zoom REGISTER to join the January / February sessions by calling 847-870-3712.

#### **POPULAR BOOKS**

#### Wednesdays, January 8 and February 12, 10–11 a.m. In Person or Zoom



In January, discuss *New York Times* bestselling author Jennifer Weiner's *The Breakaway*. In February, join us to discuss *The Berry Pickers* by Amanda Peters.

#### TRAVELOGUES

Drop in and enjoy documentaries and travel movies on **Fridays at 10 a.m.** 

Jan 3	English/Scottish Highlights	(50 min)
Jan 10	Canada's Wilderness Railway	(45 min)
Jan 17	Istanbul/Eastern Turkey	(50 min)
Jan 24	Wild Metropolis' Commuters	(56 min)
Jan 31	Southern Spain	(50 min)
Feb 7	Maine Lighthouses	(55 min)
Feb 14	Puerto Rico's Nature	(53 min)
Feb 21	Intimate Paris	(50 min)
Feb 28	Saving Venice	(55 min)

#### **Library Program Registration**

Unless otherwise noted, register for library programs online at ahml.info/attend/events or call 847-392-0100.

#### **MODERN CLASSICS**

Mondays, January 27 and February 24, 10–11 a.m. In Person or Zoom



Discuss *West With Giraffes* by Lynda Rutledge in January. February's book is *An Unfinished Love Story: A Personal History of the 1960s* by Doris Kearns Goodwin.

Books available for check out in the Reading Room four weeks prior to the discussion.

#### FILM DISCUSSION CIRCLE



#### Tuesdays, January 7 and February 4, 1 p.m. Drop in.

January's film is *Wicked Little Letters* (2023), rated R, 100 minutes, and in February Gary Cooper and Grace star in *High Noon*, 85 minutes, rated PG. A discussion led by library staff follows a free showing of the films.



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#### **CRAFTERNOON** in the READING ROOM

In-Person

Friday, January 17, 1:30–3 p.m. or Saturday, January 25, 10–11:30 a.m.

Create a fun DIY craft with supplies provided by the library. **REGISTER** 

#### NEW SENIOR CENTER: Tech Help

#### Computer Room, Tuesday, January 7, 9:30–11 a.m. In-Person

Have a question for library tech staff? We'll do our best to answer it or, if you stump us, we'll point you in the right direction. **DROP IN** 



Classes feature small class size and hands-on instruction. All classes are held at the Senior Center.

Register online at ahml.info/attend/events or call 847-392-0100. Registration for January and February classes opens January 2.

#### Android Phone Basics (two-day class)

Get hands-on experience using an android-based phone with tips for text and internet..

Thursdays, January 16 and 23, 2–4 p.m. Tuesdays, February 4 and 11, 2–4 p.m.

Android Phone Settings Learn how to view and change settings. Thursday, January 30, 2–4 p.m. Tuesday, February 18, 2–4 p.m.

#### iPhone Basics (two-day class)

This hands-on class helps you master using an iPhone or iPad. Get tips for internet and email.

Wednesdays, January 15 and 22, 2–4 p.m. Mondays, January 27 and February 3, 2–4 p.m. Wednesdays, February 12 and 19, 2–4 p.m.

#### iPhone Beyond Basics (two-day class)

Prerequisite: iPhone Basics or experience Download new apps, read books, text, and video chat. Fridays, January 24 and 31, 2–4 p.m. Thursdays, February 20 and 27, 2–4 p.m.

#### iPhone Photos

<u>Prerequisite: iPhone Basics or experience</u> Learn the basics of taking photos on an iPhone or iPad camera.

Wednesday, February 26, 2–4 p.m.

iPhone Settings 1
<u>Prerequisite: iPhone Basics</u>
Use Settings app to customize your iPhone or iPad.
Wednesday, January 29, 2–4 p.m.
Friday, February 21, 2–4 p.m.

# iPhone Settings 2 <u>Prerequisite: iPhone Basics</u> Learn more about your iPhone or iPad settings options. Wednesday, February 5, 2–4 p.m. Tuesday, February 25, 2–4 p.m.

Windows 11 Essentials (two-day class) Prerequisite: Basic mouse and keyboarding skills Customize your desktop and find, copy, and organize files. Thursdays, February 6 and 13, 2–4 p.m.



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## 10 FEATURED PROGRAMS ARLINGTON HEIGHTS SENIOR CENTER

 Please visit the Main Office, call
 847.253.5532 or visit myactivecenter.com to register. \*Programs are in-person unless otherwise noted.

Manager Matters Friday, February 21 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. Free



Join Senior Center Manager, Tracey Colagrossi, for an informative session on the happenings at the Senior Center. Come with your own questions, suggestions or ideas!

Rainbow Connections: How to Have Hard Conversations Friday, February 21 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.



In today's politically polarized environment, it can be especially hard to talk about topics related to the LGBTQ+ experience. Join us in discussing helpful tips and resources for navigating these difficult conversations with family, friends, and community members more comfortably and confidently. The Village and Library collaborate on these monthly discussions revolve around timely topics in a safe space.

#### John and Abigail Adams: A Love Story Saturday, February 22

10:00 - 11:00 a.m. Fee: \$2

Boy meets girl. Boy becomes a revolutionary and

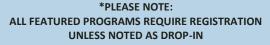


then president. Girl reminds him to not neglect the rights of women. John and Abigail Adams were at the center of the American experiment for decades and devoted themselves to its success, though at great cost to their marriage and family. In this lecture, historian Joyce Haworth draws on the hundreds of letters that passed between them to tell a very personal story of love, commitment, and devotion to each other and to the United States. Presented by historian, Joyce Haworth.



#### Trivia Night!! Monday, February 24 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. · FREE

Bring your friends! Even if you're not the next Jeopardy champion, this night is for you! Have fun in a casual atmosphere competing against other teams for prizes. If you would like to be matched with your friends on a team of four, please let us know upon registration or email Sarah Adelphia at <u>sadelphia@vah.com</u>. Single registrants will be assigned teams.



- Newsletter subscribers priority registration PHONE OR IN-PERSON ONLY: <u>through December 26</u>
- Non-subscribers: starting December 27
- Online registration begins: December 27
- Payment due 5 days prior to program



The Arlington Heights Senior Center is an AARP Foundation Tax-Aide site, offering free tax assistance. Appointments are available February 5 -April 10, 2025

Appointments accepted beginning January 6, 2025, at call **847.797.5304** 



AARP Tax Preparers are specially trained volunteers. The trusted program has been in existence for over 50 years.

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS SENIOR CENTER



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Visit the Main Office

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#### FREE INCOME TAX PREPARATION ASSISTANCE - AARP TAX-AIDE PROGRAM

Appointments will be conducted on Wednesdays and Thursdays, beginning February 5 through April 10, 2025. Please make your appointment early, as spots fill up quickly the closer, we get to the end of tax season! Call 847.797.5304 to make an appointment (January 6, 2025).

#### All Returns will be E-Filed.

E-file is a quick, easy, and more accurate alternative to traditional paper filing. With efiling, taxpayers receive their refund in half the usual time and even faster with direct deposit. In addition, e-filers will receive a paper copy of their return.

If filing a joint return, **both spouses must be present or bring a signed Power of Attorney.** 

#### BRING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS TO YOUR INITIAL TAX APPOINTMENT:

 A photo ID and <u>Social Security Card</u> or <u>Social Security Statement</u>.
 Copies of all your W-2, 1099-INT, 1099-DIV, 1099-R, 1099-B forms you have received for 2024.

3. Copies of your 2023 federal and state income tax forms filed in 2023.

4. Receipts and information for all planned itemized deductions (i.e., medical and dental expenses, taxes and interest you paid, gifts to charities, and other miscellaneous deductions).

5. Real estate tax bills for taxes paid in 2024.

6. Closing statements for any real estate sold in 2024. Also, the original cost of the property and the cost of all improvements.

7. Social Security SSA-1099 for 2024.

8. Railroad retirement forms for 2024, RRB-1099, and RRB-1099R.

9. A check from your bank for possible direct deposit or direct debit information. A check is needed, not a deposit slip.

10. Remember that we can only do joint returns with both spouses present or financial power of attorney for the absent spouse. If a spouse died in 2024, the date of the death is needed.







THANK YOU.

At the beginning of a new year, the Staff would like to take a moment to thank all the Connections to Care volunteers (drivers, support staff, Board of Directors) for their time, effort, caring and compassion in 2024. We simply could not do what we do without you. Our gratitude knows no bounds.



#### THANK YOU.

We want to take this opportunity to thank all our donors who contributed to Connections to Care during our 2024 Annual Appeal. Your generosity and contributions were overwhelming and so very much appreciated.

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## 12 MEALS ON WHEELS NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS LUNCH PROGRAM







#### Meals on Wheels Lunch Program

Monday - Friday: 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm We are excited to come to Arlington Heights for Lunch! We offer amazing menu options that are diabetic friendly, low sodium, and heart heathly. A hot entrée with sides, beverages, and rolls are included with a suggested donation of \$4 per meal. You will not be denied a meal due to inability to pay. No reservations are necessary.

Our lunch Program requires you to be 60 years or older, and complete a one time registration from required by AgeOptions.

#### Home Delivered Meals

Meals on Wheels delivers a hot meal Monday -Friday to Home Bound Seniors In Maine And Wheeling Township. Volunteer Drivers are essential to allow Seniors to remain in their homes. Please consider volunteering to deliver meals.

If you are intersted in Volunteering, head over to mealsonwheelsnei.org/volunteer to fill out an application or call 847.332.2678 to learn more today!

The Congregate and Home-Delivered Meal Programs are administered by Meals on Wheels Northeastern IL and made possible by funding through AgeOptions and the Illinois Department on Aging. Meals on Wheels Northeastern IL does not discriminate in admission to programs or treatment of employment in compliance with appropriate state and federal statutes. If you feel you have been discriminated against, call (847) 332-2678.

## COOKBOOK CLUB

Thursdays, 1:15-2:15 Lunch Room (Room 185)

Thursday, January 16: Crockpot/Casserole Recipes Thursday, February 20: Game Day Recipes

Seeking new ideas for dinner? Do you like exchanging recipes and sharing cooking techniques? Each month, we will bring a recipe and preparation tips to share that fit with the theme. Optional: You may also bring in a sample of your recipe to share.







#### **Ask the Nurse**

#### Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Meet with Endeavor Health Community Nurse Rose Jensen, MSM, MSN, RN to discuss your healthcare questions and concerns, free of charge.



Animal Assisted Therapy Visits

Thursday, January 2 Thursday, February 6 9:00 - 10:30 a.m.



#### **Bone Density Screening**

Tuesday, January 7 Tuesday, February 4 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

Sock and shoe need to be removed for the screening. Screening is free of charge. Provided by Endeavor Health Community Nurse Rose Jensen, MSM, MSN, RN.

Appointments required 847-618-5575

#### Parkinson's Exercise Class



Tuesdays, 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

**Registration required.** Medical clearance required prior to attending class. Call Health Connection at **847-618-4968** 

\$4.00/class payable on the day of class to the class instructor.

Led by Endeavor Health Physical Therapy Staff



#### Walkers' Club

Led by Endeavor Health Physical Therapy Staff

Friday, January 10 & 24 Friday, February 14 & 28 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.



#### **NEW!** Podiatry Clinic

Thursday, January 23 Thursday, February 13

12:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Dr. Natalie Domek, Podiatry of Arlington Heights, will see patients at AHSC. Appointments required.

Please **pick up** new patient forms and **schedule** an appointment at the AHSC Front Desk.

#### LECTURE SERIES

ENDEAVOR HEALTH

**@ THE SENIOR CENTER** 



#### Weathering Winter Storms: Helping Our Skin Survive the Snow

Skin issues can flare up during the cold months. Learn what you can do to keep your skin healthy.

Monday, January 13 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Presented by: **Christopher Rivard, MD** Arlington Dermatology

#### Registration required 847-253-5532



#### **Digestive Issues**

Bloating? Belching? Heartburn? Endeavor Health nurse, Kim Hogan, leads a general discussion on Digestive Issues including GERD.

Monday, February 10 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Presented by: Endeavor Health **Kimberly Hogan, NPC** 

Registration required 847-253-5532





Led by Endeavor Health Community Nurse, Rose Jensen, MSM, MSN, RN

Health Benefits of Mushrooms Soups, Sauces, Stir-fry and More!



**Tuesday, January 14 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.** Limited Space.

Registration required 847-253-5532

## Salad Dressings (and other condiments)



Tuesday, February 11 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. Limited Space.

Registration required 847-253-5532

Diabetes and Pre-Diabetes Education



Led by Endeavor Health Community Nurse, Rose Jensen, MSM, MSN, RN

No January Class - ASHS Closed Monday, February 17 9:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Space is limited. Registration required 847-253-5532

#### **Diabetes Support**



Led by Endeavor Health Community Nurse, Rose Jensen, MSM, MSN, RN

> Tuesday, January 21 Tuesday, February 18 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

Space is limited. Registration required 847-253-5532

#### **Brainwaves Support Group**

Thursday, January 16 Thursday, February 20 3:15 - 4:15 p.m.

Discussion and presentations for stroke or brain injury survivors, caregivers and family members. Led by Katlin Gottfried, SLP, Endeavor Health Therapy Staff.

Registration Required 847-618-3718





Join Endeavor Health Community Nurse, Rose Jensen, MSM, MSN, RN for engaging **conversation!** 

> The Role of Food to Support and Enhance Detoxification



Tuesday, January 28 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

Registration required 847-253-5532

#### The Importance of Protein For Overall Health



Tuesday, February 25 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

Registration Required 847-253-5532



## SUGGESTION BOX **ARLINGTON HEIGHTS SENIOR CENTER**

The suggestion box is located in the Senior Center lobby. All suggestions are reviewed and responded to by the Senior Center Manager, Tracey Colagrossi, and the Advisory Council President, Bruce Cruz.

#### Taller Toilets in the Ladies Room:

Ladies need high toilet's for a variety of health reasons. Tiny toilets are hard to use. Most people use the higher toilets. The Senior Center has a LOT of women. HELP.

Tall Toilets! Grab Bars are not the same as tall toilets. Women need toilets in each bathroom. It is very busy when a class lets out and you have to wait in line or hurry across to the other bathroom and find that is also busy.

We are looking into other solutions with our Public Works Staff.

#### Classes on Apple watch.

We will forward this suggestion to our Arlington Heights Memorial Library staff. As a lot of folks may receive these items as gifts, it would be something to have a class on.

#### Entertainment Suggestion:

Website: Tomcashinger.com to view videos only Musician 15 years' experience (corporate, private events, weddings and other venues). Tom Cash (vocalist, guitarist) direct number 847-489-3384. Look under tom cash fan #! Don't go to other sites.

Of course, we will forward this suggestion to our Program Coordinator, Sarah Adelphia for further review.

#### Please put in more handicapped parking

Thank you for your suggestion. At this time, we do not have plans to have additional handicapped parking available, however, we will continue to monitor the situation. We understand the need for accessible parking and also have enough parking for the number of patrons that utilize our 42,000 square foot facility.

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- Renewed common and activity spaces
- The security of a plan for the future
- Ample time (3 years!) to prepare and upgrade in style
- · Access to downsizing and moving professionals

#### Call to learn more or to schedule a personal tour. 847-750-5678

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The Moorings Of Arlington Heights.org 811 East Central Road Arlington Heights, IL 60005 INDEPENDENT LIVING AND HEALTHCARE-RELATED SERVICES



#### Dance & Wellness Classes

Stay active with a diverse range of instructor-led classes

**BD Motion** (code 85502) Wednesday, 1/8-3/12| 2:30-3:30pm Fee: \$90

Ballet Basics (code 85457) Monday, 2/3-3/24 | 1-2pm Fee: \$88

Ballroom Dance: Social Dancing (code 82218) Monday, 2/3-2/24| 7-8:15pm Fee: \$50

Broadway Bound Dance (code 85573) Thursday, 1/9-3/20 | 11am-12pm Fee: \$80

Chair Tap (code 85486 ) Tuesday, 2/4-3/25 | 3:30-4:30pm Fee: \$80

Dancing to the Oldies (code 85580) Friday, 1/10-3/21 | 11:15am-12:15pm Fee: \$80

Functional Fitness (code 85575) Thursday, 1/9-3/13 | 3:30-4:15pm Fee: \$100

Let's Get Tapping (code 85478, 85574 Tuesday, 2/4-3/25 | 1-2pm Thursday, 1/9-3/20| 2-3pm Fee: \$80 (Tuesday), \$100 (Thursday)

Let's Keep Tapping (code 85479) Tuesday, 2/4-3/25| 2:15pm-3:15pm Fee: \$80

Tap Techniques (code 85581) Friday, 1/10-3/21 | 12:30-1:30pm Fee: \$100

**Tai Chi Moves Intro** (code 85475) Tuesday, 1/7-3/11 | 10:45-11:30am Fee: \$100

**Zumba Gold** (code 85487, 85501) Tuesday, 1/7-3/11 | 6-7pm Wednesday, 1/8-3/12 | 1-2pm Fee: \$90

#### Art & Crafting Classes

Unleash creativity with our teachers, no matter your experience!

**50 Shades of Colored Pencils** (code 85578) Friday, 1/10-3/14 | 9:30am-12pm Fee: \$155

**Art of Acrylics Beginner** (code 85570) Thursday, 1/9-3/13| 12:30-3pm Fee: \$155

**Art of Acrylics Inter/Adv** (code 85569) Thursday, 1/9-3/13 | 9:30am-12pm Fee: \$155

**Crochet Beginners** (code 85450) Monday, 1/6-3/10 | 9:45-10:45AM Fee: \$72

**Crochet with Friends Drop-In** Monday, 1/6-3/10 | 11AM-1PM Fee: \$8 per visit

Discover Japanese Origami (code 85460) Tuesday, 3/4 | 3:30-4:30pm Fee: \$10

Mixed Media (code 85459) Tuesday, 1/7-3/11 | 12-2:30pm Fee: \$130

Watercolor Beginner (code 85579) Friday, 1/10-3/14 | 12:45-2:45pm Fee: \$125

Wetercolor Intrmdt. (code 85458) Tuesday, 1/7-3/11 | 9:30-11:30am Fee: \$125

Works of Art (code 85451) Monday, 1/6-3/10 | 1:15-3:45pm Fee: \$140

Quilting with Friends Drop-In Wednesday, 1/8-3/12 | 10 am-12pm Fee: \$8 per visit



#### Cards & Games Classes

Learn a game, sharpen your strategy, and level up with our teachers.

Adult Chess (code 85466) Tuesday, 1/7-3/11 | 3:15-4:15pm Fee: \$80

**Bridge Beginning** (code 85452) Monday, 1/6-3/10 | 10am-12pm Fee: \$126

Bridge Intermediate (code 85461) Tuesday, 1/7-3/11 | 10am-12pm Fee: \$140

**Best Bridge Ever!** (code 85571) Thursday, 1/9-3/13| 2:30-4:30pm Fee: \$140

Mah Jongg Beginner (code 85453) Monday, 1/6-3/10 | 12:30-2:30pm Fee: \$90

Mah Jongg Intermediate (code 85454, 85489)

Monday, 1/6-3/10 | 2:45-4:45pm Wednesday, 1/8-3/12 | 3:30-5:30pm Fee: \$90 (Monday), \$100 (Wednesday)

> Winter and Spring 2025 Registration Opens December 3!

For more info, call AHPD at 847.797.5341

Please note: There will be no AHPD programs on 1/18, 1/20. Check for additional no class dates when you register with AHPD.



#### Woodshop Classes

Explore your craftsmanship and develop your skills safely!

**Carve On** (code 85488) Wednesday, 1/8-3/12 | 12:30-2:30pm Fee: \$50

**Beginner Woodcarving** (code 85577) Thursday, 1/9-1/30| 12:15-3:15pm Fee: \$60

**Beginner Woodworking** (code 85576) Thursday, 2/6-2/27 | 12:15-3:15pm Fee: \$100

Learn the Lathe (code 85584) Friday, 1/10-1/31 | 9am-1pm Fee: \$60

#### Visit the Woodshop

Enjoy wood working projects or meeting woodworkers who share your passion? See all the AHPD Woodshop has to offer! 8 workstations available.

Equipment includes:

- 12"sliding compound miter saw
- 14" band saw
- Belt and disc sanders
- Delta 6" jointer
- Dewalt variable speed 20" scroll
- Grizzly 15" planer
- Jet drum sander
- Variable speed drill press
- And much more!

Woodshop Safety Training Certification and Evaluation is required prior to membership purchase.

Call the Park District Office at 847.797.5341 for more information.

#### WOODSHOP MEMBERSHIP FEES

Annual: \$115 | 10 Pass: \$80 |

6 Pass Option: \$48 | Daily Fee: \$14

#### WOODSHOP HOURS

Mondays-Thursdays, 9am-12pm

## ARLINGTON HEIGHTS PARK DISTRICT @ THE SENIOR CENTER 17

Fun & Fit Membership

Take daily fitness classes with AHPD!

#### WEEKLY CLASS SCHEDULE

Aerobics: 9-9:45am	
Aerobics: 9-9:45am Strength: 9:45-10:30am	
Cardio Strength: 9-9:45am	
Aerobics: 9-9:45am, 10-10:45 am, 12:15-1pm Strength: 1-1:45pm	
Strength: 9-9:55am Aerobics: 10-10:45am	

#### F&F MEMBERSHIP FEES

Annual Membership: \$215 6-Month Membership: \$144 Punch card: \$75 for 14 classes

#### Arlington Athletic Club

Discover a world of fitness!

Use the multi-direction Cybex weight station, recumbent bikes, treadmills, NuStep, rowing machines, ellipticals and free weights.

AAC Tours available by appointment. Call AHPD to set up your tour.

#### AAC MEMBERSHIP FEES

Annual Membership: \$178 6-Month Membership: \$118 Punch card: \$75 for 14 visits Daily: \$8 per visit

AAC HOURS Monday - Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm Saturdays, 8:30 am-Noon

#### AAC + Fun & Fit

COMBO MEMBERSHIP FEES Annual pass: \$335 6-month pass: \$187

#### **Arlington Classic Tours**

Do you like to go to musicals, plays, museum exhibits, casinos and other recreational destinations? Most importantly: do you like to have fun?

If so, Arlington Classic Tours (ACT) is for you!

The Park District does all the planning. All you do is register, check-in on the day of the tour, relax in the luxury motor coach arranged for the trip, and enjoy the activities. With over 60 one-day tours each year, there's something for everyone!

Become an ACT member to enjoy:

- A bi-monthly tour brochure sent directly to your home
- Member priority registration
- A \$15 discount on each tour
- A 10% discount on Gift Shop merchandise purchases
- Monthly participation drawings

#### ACT MEMBERSHIP FEES:

Individual: \$25 Household (two people living at the same address): \$35

Learn more about all AHPD Senior Center memberships!

#### Call 847.797.5341

AHPD Senior Center memberships do not apply to AHPD facilities outside of the Senior Center.

Please note: There will be no AHPD programs on 1/18, 1/20.

## 18 ARLINGTON HEIGHTS PARK DISTRICT @ THE SENIOR CENTER



## **NEW! Pop Up Classes**

## Stay connected and active during the winter holidays!

A Pop Up class is a class a la carte! Register for a single day or multiple. Sign up ahead of time, or the day of. \$10 per class.

GENTLE MOVEMENT & MEDITATION 12/23, 12/27, 12/30, 1/3 at 10-11AM

**OPEN ART STUDIO** 12/27, 12/31, 1/3 at 10AM-12:30PM

**LET'S GET TAPPING** Thursday 12/26, 1/2 at 2-3PM

DANCING TO THE OLDIES Friday 12/27, 1/3 at 11:15AM-12:15PM

Learn more and register: 847.797.5341

#### Drop-In Dance Groups

#### Line Dance Drop-in

#### with Sharman & Dennis Toomey

Wanna move those feet? Instructor Sharman teaches beginner through intermediate line dances. Dennis and Sharman combine country, popular and alternative music with line dancing techniques. Practice what you have learned while DJ Dennis plays your music requests. Meet new friends, learn new dances, exercise and have fun!

#### \$9/person cash, payable at the door.

Intermediate Line Dance | Wednesdays: 7:00 - 9:00pm Classic Line Dancing | Thursdays: 7:00 - 9:30pm

#### **Square Dance with Arlington Squares**

This group offers Western style square dances at the mainstream and plus levels. Dances are held in the Fitness/ Dance Room in the Senior Center. All experienced square and round dancers are welcome.

\$8/person cash, payable at door. 2nd, 4th, and 5th Fridays monthly | 7:30-10pm

Get more information at <u>www.arlingtonsquares.com</u>.

#### **Special Event**

## **Retro Rendezvous**

Thursday, March 27 | 11AM-2:30PM | \$49 per person Palm Court Restaurant, 1912 N. Arlington Heights Rd.

Join us for a swanky Retro Rendezvous luncheon at the Palm Court in Arlington Heights!

Enjoy a delicious lunch and smooth crooning from singer Jerry Armstrong, performing Rat Pack tunes from Frank Sinatra and Dean Martin.

#### Menu:

- Entree choices of Filet Medallions, Chicken Marsala, or Tilapia Amandine
- Starter soup
- Sides: A starch and vegetable medley
- Dessert: New York Cheesecake
- Beverages: Soft drinks, iced tea, and hot tea included.

No menu substitutions, but please inform the Park District staff of any food allergies when you register. Entrée choice required at time of registration.

Limited space available. Doors open at 11:30AM. Registration not available day of event. This is a contracted event; nonrefundable.

#### **Registration opens December 3!**

To register: Call 847.797.5341 or visit AHPD at the Senior Center.



AH Park District Registration

## Winter/Spring registration opens December 3.

For Park District programs at the Senior Center, there are not separate resident and non-resident registration dates or fees!

See all the programs offered from AHPD at the Senior Center by visiting the Park District Office for an AHPD program guide or go to ahpd.org.

To register: Visit the Park District Office, call 847.797.5341, or go to ahpd.org.

## ARLINGTON HEIGHTS PARK DISTRICT @ THE SENIOR CENTER 19

#### Shop 1801 Gift Shop

Stop by the Park District's gift shop, **Shop 1801**, located in the Park District Office at the Senior Center.

Come check out our merchandise! Accessories, handmade woodshop items, keychains and more!

And don't forget to swing by for all your greeting cards! From Anniversaries to Retirement and everything in between: our \$1 cards are perfect for every occasion!



#### ARLINGTON HEIGHTS PARK DISTRICT AT THE SENIOR CENTER Phone: 847.797.5341 Online: www.ahpd.org Office & Shop 1801 Hours: Mondays - Fridays, 8:30am - 4:30pm

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## 20 **OLUNTEERING** (20) THE SENIOR CENTER

#### Volunteer Opportunities

**Connections to Care Drivers:** Older adults in the NW suburbs need your help to stay healthy! Assist senior citizens get to their routine medical check-ups (non-urgent) by becoming a volunteer driver. You set your schedule based on your availability – FLEXI-BLE! No weekly commitment required. For more information, contact Amy or Andrea at 847-253-5532, ext 314 or visit www.connectionstocare.org. pate in monthly activities with local student groups? Or do you lead a student group and are looking for volunteer opportunities for the upcoming school year? Join our Kid Connections group as a patron or a volunteer student group. Activities can include: games, crafts, conversation, and other fun options. Contact Liz at 847-797-5302 for more information.

Kid Connections: Would you like to partici-



#### NEW OPPORTUNITY!

SUPPORT SQUAD: Do you value making connections and supporting neighbors when they need help? We are building a new group that will support fellow patrons in need of a boost or check in. This group will participate in activities such as sending cards, making phone calls, coordinating visits and perhaps meals, and other supportive outreach. We will work together to envision and launch this new squad to create a culture of caring here at the Senior Center. Contact Liz at 847-797-5302 for more information.





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Meals on Wheels Northeastern Illinois:

Do you value creating relationships and helping area seniors? Drivers are needed to deliver meals to homebound residents in the surrounding area. One day a week or more if you choose. Time commitment is approximately 2 hours per route. Contact Yvonne at 847-797-5350 for more information.



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The Commissioners Corner will continue to bring you news and information of the Commission activities and the Age-Friendly Initiative.

#### **Age-Friendly Arlington Heights Update**

The Village of Arlington Heights received the AARP Age-Friendly designation in 2022. The Senior Citizens Commission, comprised of ten residents' appointment by the mayor and board, conduct the work of Age-Friendly, creating age friendly communities that are livable for all ages. Recently, residents completed a Livable Community Survey for ages 45 and older. The Senior Citizens Commission evaluated the results and provided listening sessions on topics of concerns: transportation, housing, and communication. The Senior Citizens Commission has been collaborating with staff in creating an action plan and progress reports.

We have upcoming listening sessions at the Senior Center and the Arlington Heights Memorial Library. Stay tuned to learn more.



North West Housing Partnership (NWHP), a northwest suburban based nonprofit, is excited to offer a free program for seniors 62 years of age and up that enables them to remain independent and "age in place" in their own homes. The Older Adults Home Modification Program provides a range of safety modifications, provided by an insured handyperson, to address their unique safety needs, following assessments by registered nurses and occupational therapists. To learn more, please call NWHP 847-969-0561.



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#### Medicare News for January/February

January 1 to March 31: (Medicare's annual General Enrollment Period (GEP) is important for those over age 65 who've delayed enrolling in Medicare when they had an 'Initial Enrollment Period' (IEP), a 7 month period starting 3 months before their 65<sup>th</sup> birth-month and ending the last day of the 3<sup>rd</sup> month after their birth-month. This Jan-March GEP also is for those who, upon retiring or losing a Group Health Plan (GHP) from an employer, after age 65, failed to enroll in Medicare Part B within 8 months of losing employer coverage, as required to avoid penalty.

The IEP of 7 months should be ample time to enroll in Medicare, at least in the pre-paid ('free') Part A (if still working). Everyone should enroll in Medicare Part A (the Part that covers hospital in-patient charges and skilled nursing facilities for rehabilitation) since, for most, its fully pre-paid if the person or spouse worked legally in the US for 10 years or more. If you're still working and have a group health plan (GHP) with your employer there's no penalty for not enrolling in Part B (which covers most everything else: e.g. doctors, therapy, emergency rooms, testing of all kinds etc). When you finally retire and/or lose you're your employer GHP (whichever comes first), you have 8 months to enroll in Part B with no penalty, but some forget to do it, leaving them exposed to costly medical bills with no health plan, they have to wait until the following January 1 to enroll. Medicare allows you to 'late' enroll from Jan 1 to March 31 during the 'General Enrollment Period (GEP). Part B becomes effective the first day of the month following enrollment. Anyone who needs to enroll in Medicare and fails to enroll in Jan-March, must wait a full year for the next GEP.

When you lose your GHP (normally at retirement or shortly thereafter), though Medicare allows you 8 months to enroll in Part B, without incurring a penalty, you're only allowed 63 days to enroll in a Part D plan which covers prescription medications you self-administer, tablets, capsules, nasal sprays, eye drops, insulin, etc. The penalty for late enrollment in Part D is relatively small, about 1% of the average Part D drug plan (1% of about \$42/ month or 42 cents), but the penalty is cumulative for every month you delayed enrollment in Part D, whether you need Rx drug or not and the penalty stays with you and is added on to your monthly premium. Fortunately, if you have either or both Part A and/or Part B, you can enroll in the least expensive drug plan to avoid the penalty. For 2024 and 2025 there is one Part D insurance company with zero premium, meaning you avoid the penalty at no premium cost to you.



#### Senior Health Insurance Program (SHIP)

SHIP is a free counseling service provided by the Illinois Dept. on Aging. SHIP does not sell or solicit insurance and is not an insurance plan. SHIP trains volunteers to provide one-on-one help with your insurance.

SHIP counselors can answer questions about:

- Medicare
- Medicare Supplemental Insurance
- Medicare Advantage Plans HMOs, PPOs, PFFS
- Prescription Drug Coverage through Medicare and other sources
- Long-Term Care Insurance
- Medicare Claims and Appeals
- Medicare Beneficiary Rights and Guarantees

#### To make an in-person or phone appointment with a SHIP counselor:

Call the Senior Center Main Office: 847.253.5532 to schedule



Every month, AgeOptions hosts a free online Zoom event for LGBT+ older adults, caregivers, and service providers. This event is open to the public. We host an informational presentation and discussion on a different topic each month. For more information, visit https:// www.thrivingwithpride.org/ or call 847.253.5532.

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#### Arlington Heights Nurses Club Lending Closet

Looking to borrow a wheelchair, commode, cane or other medical equipment? Please call **847.797.5315** for information and details on check-out and return.



Mon: 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Tues: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Wed: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Thurs: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Fri: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Sat: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.



#### **Smoke Alarms Safety Reminders**

Over 4,000 people die every year in residential fires in the United States. Most fatal home fires occur between 8:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. while residents are asleep. A smoke alarm buys valuable time. As soon as it senses smoke, an alarm automatically sounds, allowing residents a chance to get out before toxic fumes accumulate to lethal levels.

#### The Arlington Heights Fire Department

would like to assist residents of the Village with installing new Smoke Alarms which now have a 10-year battery life. There is NO Charge for smoke alarms or for their installation. This program is available to help those who are physically, financially, or otherwise unable to install smoke alarms themselves.

#### Below are 2 ways you can register for the Smoke Alarm Program:

- Visit the Village website for more details: www.vah.com/smokealarms and complete the easy on-line registration form.
- OR, call the Fire Department office at 847.368.5450 (Monday-Friday between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM) and we will add your name to the appointment list.



Smoke Alarms Save Lives! REGISTER NOW – DON'T WAIT

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#### **Catholic Charities Northwest Senior Services**

continues to prove in home assessments in the community as the local care coordination unit for supportive services in Wheeling, Barrington Hanover and Palatine Townships. Individuals, families and friends interested in learning more about home and communitybased services and supports for those aged 60 and over, including the community care program (CCP) (subsidized homemaker, adult day services, emergency home response systems, automated medication dispenser), light chore housekeeping and home delivered meals are encouraged to contact the Care Coordination Unit (CCU) covering their area. Once a referral is made, a care coordinator will make a home visit and assist the participant in determining eligibility for CCP and other services and developing a person centered plan of care. Catholic Charities Northwest Senior Services will remain at the Arlington Heights Senior Center as the Care Coordination Unit. to contact them, call 847-253-5500.



## Aging and Disability Resource Network (ADRN)

Our ADRN specialist assists older adults by connecting them to services that promote independence and dignity, including:

Information, assistance, and referrals on a

broad range of issues, provided in person, by phone, or via email to older adults with disabilities, their families, caregivers, or professionals. We can briefly assess each person's situation and connect them to appropriate resources, including KYC and Catholic Charities Services.

#### **Benefits Specialist Services**

We also provide counseling on Medicare benefits, including:

- Medicare Part B Preventive Care Benefits
- Low Income Subsidy (LIS/"Extra Help")
   and Medicare Savings Programs
- Prescription drug coverage under Medicare Part D plans or Medicare Advantage plans
- Assistance with other public benefits and pharmaceutical programs

#### **Contact Information**

ADRN Services: Phone: 847-524-8800 ext. 189 Benefits Specialist: Phone: 847-524-8800 ext. 131

#### **Caregiver Resource Center**

The Caregiver Resource Center is staffed by Caregiver Specialists who provide education, resources, and self-care tips to support caregivers. Services include:

- Support groups
- Training and counseling
- Assistance for grandparents raising grandchildren

#### **Caregiver Support Groups**

• Elk Grove Village: Meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. at

Kenneth Young Center, 1001 Rohlwing Rd, Elk Grove Village. Please contact us at 847-524-8800 ext. 124 to register for this group.

 Arlington Heights Senior Center: Meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Sessions are available both in-person and virtually at the Arlington Heights Senior Center. Please contact us at 847-524-8800 ext. 124 to register for this group.

#### **Contact Information**

Caregiver Resource Center Phone: 847-524-8800 ext. 124

#### Alzheimer's/Dementia Caregiver Support Group Mondays: January 13 & February 10 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. · Free



Facilitated by Jim Harbaugh, this group focuses *on you, the Caregiver,* by teaching you coping skills and allowing you to meet other caregivers who face the same challenges caring for *their* loved ones suffering from Alzheimer's/Dementia.

Drop-in. No registration needed.

#### Parkinson's Club of AH 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday each month January 9 & February 13 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

The Parkinson's Club of AH is a volunteer led monthly meeting for individuals with Parkinson's Disease, family members, friends and caretakers. At each meeting, we will have time to share what has gone well for each of us in the last month, and what

challenges we have faced. At some meetings, we will follow up our sharing time with outside speakers from the medical field, government agencies and the community. **This is a drop-in program, and no pre-registration is required.** 

Korean American Parkinson's Support Group \*NO meeting in Jan/Feb



Next meeting, Saturday March 8 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.





Village of Arlington Heights Health Services Department

<u>Blood Pressure Screening</u> Mondays, 8:30 - 10:00 a.m. No appointment necessary. Cost: Free



#### Diabetic/Blood Sugar Screening Mondays, 8:30 - 10:00 a.m.

No appointment necessary. Cost: \$1.00. The best way to obtain a blood sugar is to fast. You can also test three hours after you eat.

#### Cholesterol Screening January 8 at Senior Center February 19 at Village Hall 8:30 - 9:45 a.m.

Screenings conducted by appointment only. Call 847.368.5760 for Village Hall appointments and 847.253.5532 for Senior Center appointments. **Cost is \$20.** For total, HDL and LDL (12-hour fast required). NOTE: Medicare cannot be billed for these services, as the Village of Arlington Heights is not an approved provider. Clients needing injections or anticoagulant testing must receive these services at the Village Hall clinics. <u>Hemoglobin A1C testing is</u> <u>available on these screenings dates as well.</u>

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#### Nursing Home Visit Program

Are you a resident of Arlington Heights and homebound? Nursing Services provides home visits to homebound Arlington Heights residents who are unable to qualify for Home Health Care. There is no charge for a visit and vital signs. Lab draws, INR screenings, injections and blood sugar testing have a small supply cost which cannot be billed to Medicare. If interested Contact Lindsay RN at 847-368-

5772.

#### Sharps Disposal



Sponsored by SWANCC (Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County), sharps/needles disposal (including EpiPens) will be available inside the lobby of the Senior Center. Free, 1-quart containers are available at the Senior Center. Sharps can also be disposed in the Police Department lobby 7 days a week 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

#### Medication Disposal at Police Department

Residents may properly dispose of unwanted or expired medication at the Arlington Heights Police Department. A collection box is located in the public lobby which is open 7 days a week 8:00 a.m. -5:00 p.m. The take back program accepts prescription or over-the-counter drugs in an enclosed container or original packaging. This service is not available to retailers or manufacturers with excess or expired inventory. Visitors to the Police Station should inquire with a Public Service Officer at the Front Desk for direction on how to access the collection box. The Arlington Heights Police Department is located at 200 E. Sigwalt St., next to Village Hall.

#### NURSING SERVICES NOW OFFERING A1C SCREENING! WHAT IS AN A1C?

An A1C screening is a blood test that measures the average amount of glucose in your blood over the past 3 months. This test is commonly used to diagnose diabetes and monitor blood sugar levels in individuals with diabetes. If you're interested in getting an A1C screening, feel free to call 847-368-5760 to schedule an appointment and take a proactive step towards your health and well-being. Cost is \$12 (\$30 if combined with a cholesterol screening) <u>Appointments are available during Cholesterol</u> <u>Screening dates only.</u>



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Learn about up-to-date information regarding changes over time in ourselves, our vehicles, and our roads. This informative course can help you boost safety awareness, refresh and improve driving skills, minimize crash risk and maintain independence. Participants age 55 and older may be eligible to receive a discount on the liability part of their auto insurance for course completion. The cost covers materials. Payment due on first day of class and is handled by the instructor. Cash or check only made out to AARP. Participants should bring a pen or pencil. Must attend both days.



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# **Arlington Heights Senior Center**

# **Mission Statement**

Owned and operated by the Village of Arlington Heights, the Arlington Heights Senior Center is a welcoming and accessible environment dedicated to independence, community, and lifelong learning. Eight agencies collaborate to provide those aged 50 and older with programs, services, amenities, and information to live and age well.

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If you believe that you have been discriminated against, you have a right to file a complaint with the Illinois Department on Aging. For information call 1-800-252-8966 (Voice & TDD).