



FEBRUARY 2017 NEWSLETTER

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Center's Seventh Annual Recognition Dinner

The Center's Seventh Annual Recognition Dinner will be on Friday, March 31, 2017 at 6 p.m. The event will be held at Barrack's Cater Inn Banquet Center at 1224 W Pioneer Pkwy, Peoria, IL 61615. Tickets are available for \$50 per person and dinner is included. Through a very generous donation, the Center has 10 tickets to give away to Center patrons on a first come/first served basis. After those tickets are given, a Center patron may purchase a ticket at the reduced cost of \$25. Corporate and individual sponsorships for the event are also available. Please contact the office at 637-3693 for tickets and/or sponsorship information.

Wyoming Lions Club Pancake and Sausage Breakfast

The Wyoming Lions Club Pancake and Sausage breakfast will be held on Sunday, February 5th, in Wyoming, IL. All participants of the Center can attend for free. Also, the Center will provide transportation to and from this event at no cost. We will plan on arriving around 10 a.m. in the morning and departing around noon. They will be serving pancakes, eggs, sausages, applesauce, coffee, tea, and milk. Please call the office by Thursday, February 2nd by noon to sign up.

2016 Volunteer Hours

Volunteers are a huge asset to the Center. Last year, we had a recorded total of 1,086.5 volunteer hours at the Center! Thank you to all of our volunteers for their commitment and service in many different areas at the Center. We appreciate each of you and cannot thank you enough!

Thoughts And Prayers

Please keep Joe May and Nancy Hall in your thoughts and prayers. Joe had a heart attack and his Alzheimer's is getting worse. He is now in Geneseo living with family. Nancy fell over the Christmas break and broke her hip. She also has some other health issues. She is currently at Riverview Nursing Home while she recovers. If you would like to call or visit Nancy, please call the office for information.

Upcoming Events, Meetings, and Holidays

Wednesday, February 1st – Open House – Noon

Sunday, February 5th – Wyoming Lions Club Pancake and Sausage
Breakfast – 10 a.m. – Wyoming, IL.

Wednesday, February 8th – Open House – 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, February 14th – Board Meeting – 4 p.m.

Wednesday, February 15th – Open House – Noon

Saturday, February 18th – Jam Session – 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Wednesday, February 22nd – Open House – 5:30 p.m.

Friday, March 31st – Center's Seventh Annual Recognition Dinner –
6 p.m. at Barrack's Cater Inn

February Birthdays

February 1 – Sally Link

February 3 – Shirley Colgan

February 5 – Jerry Klokkenga

February 7 – Ed Lindsay

February 9 – Linda Capps

February 24 – Michele Williams

February Anniversaries

February 14 – Michelle and Truman Shute

Meal Menus for February

February 1st – Noon – Chili, hot dogs, fruit salad, and cookies.

February 8th – 5:30 p.m. – Fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, salad, cake, and ice cream.

February 15th – Noon – Sloppy Joe's, vegetable soup, apple sauce, chips, and pudding.

February 18th – Jam Session – 1 p.m. – Chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, carrots, lemon pudding, and cookies.

February 22nd – 5:30 p.m. – Meatloaf, roasted potatoes, succotash, salad, pie, and ice cream.

Bingo will be played at all Open House meals unless otherwise noted. Reservations need to be called in no later than noon on the day before the Open House. In the event of bad weather, an Open House or Jam

Session may be cancelled for the safety of Center patrons, staff, volunteers, and guests.

Donations – Monetary And In-Kind Donations

Thanks to the following for their monetary donations: Phil McAlearney; Jerome Caldwell; Ed and Debbie Lindsay; Marilyn Kauffman; Dennis and Christina Jurewicz; Bob Coney; Ruth and Kirk Johnson; Nancy Hall; Eileen O'Connell; Velda Glueck; and Roanoke Concrete Products.

Thanks to the following for their in-kind donations: Leia Stewart – salad dressing; Tom Vogel – napkins; Bob Coney – soda and cups; Jerry Caldwell – rosary pamphlets; and Gayle Workman – Bingo prizes.

Special Thanks

A very special thank you to Becky and Gary Williams for putting up and taking down the Christmas decorations and setting up the Bingo prize table.

Interesting Dates Throughout The Month Of February

February 14 – Valentine's Day. Did you know over \$1 billion of chocolates are purchased for Valentine's Day? Valentine's Day is a celebration of love and lovers. The origins of Valentine's Day dates back to ancient Roman times, when people paid honor to the Roman God of Fertility. The traditions of Valentine's Day are broad and many. It is a time to exchange cards or small gifts. Chocolates and jewelry are the big hits of this holiday as are romantic dinners.

February 20 – President's Day. This day is a national holiday and since 1968, it is observed on the third Monday in February. President's Day is a day set aside to honor all of the U.S. presidents.



Free Matter for the Blind & Visually Impaired

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Quote For The Month – “No one can do everything, but everyone can do something.” By Anonymous.