



## AUGUST 2018 NEWSLETTER

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### **Illinois Social Club Annual Meeting**

The annual meeting of the Illinois Social Club will be held Saturday, August 4, 2018 at the Central Illinois Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired. Members and non-members are invited to the meeting. All are welcome, including those who do not receive a letter. Prior to the beginning time of 10:00 a.m., a breakfast of doughnuts, breakfast casserole, coffee, and juice will be served. There will be a short business meeting, bingo, an auction, lunch, supper, and plenty of time for visiting. To make reservations, please call the Center's office at (309) 637-3693 by Tuesday, July 31st by noon. Come join in a fun-filled day.

### **The Wizard of Oz 3D**

The center will be going to view The Wizard of Oz 3D at the Peoria Riverfront Museum's IMAX giant screen movie theater on Friday, August 10<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 PM. Get ready for Oz Festival Illinois with a special screening of The Wizard of Oz 3D on the Giant Screen! When a tornado rips through Kansas, Dorothy (Judy Garland) and her dog, Toto, are whisked away in their house to the magical land of Oz. They follow the Yellow Brick Road toward the Emerald City to meet the Wizard, and en-route they meet a Scarecrow (Ray Bolger) that needs a

brain, a Tin Man (Jack Haley) missing a heart, and a Cowardly Lion (Bert Lahr) who wants courage. The wizard asks the group to bring him the broom of the Wicked Witch of the West (Margaret Hamilton) to earn his help.

## **42<sup>nd</sup> Street Musical**

The center will be taking patrons to see the Eastlight production of 42<sup>ND</sup> Street Musical on Saturday, August 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 PM. 42ND STREET is a celebration of Broadway, Times Square, and the people who make the magic of musical theatre. Aspiring chorus girl Peggy Sawyer comes to the big city from Allentown PA, and soon lands her first big job in the ensemble of a glitzy new Broadway show. But just before opening night, the leading lady breaks her ankle. Will Peggy be able to step in and become a star? Call the center to reserve your tickets by August 3rd!

## **White Cane Clinic**

On Saturday, August 25<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM- 12:00 PM, the center will be holding a White Cane Clinic. This FREE clinic will be led by Certified Orientation and Mobility Specialists and is for people and families of people who are visually impaired and need a long white cane and/or beginning cane training. While there is no minimum age requirement, participants *cannot be eligible to receive services through the state of Illinois*. This is an intensive, active-learning clinic, which will be offered if we have five people register but can accommodate a maximum of ten. Family members are strongly encouraged to join so they can help support at home and in the community.

The clinic will cover basic and advanced human guide, which is proper technique for guiding a blind or visually impaired person, how to manipulate the long white cane in a variety of situations, and basic cane technique to navigate your environment (e.g., up and down stairs, around the block, etc.). We want to emphasize once again that family members are encouraged to join; we ask that if you are bringing a family member that they transport you to and from the clinic. For those who are attending solo, the Center will provide transportation if you need it within a 15-mile radius of the Center.

If you or someone you know is interested, please contact The Central Illinois Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired at (309) 637-3693 or [info@cicbvi.org](mailto:info@cicbvi.org) by August 9<sup>th</sup>.

## **Camelot Musical**

The center will be having an outing to Cornstock Theater on Saturday, August 25<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 PM. Please call the Center to reserve your tickets by August 9<sup>th</sup>.

## **Paint Nite Fundraiser**

Our first ever Paint Nite Fundraiser will be held on Saturday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, at the Country Club of Peoria on Grandview Drive. Participants will be taught step-by-step by an art instructor on how to paint a fall-themed picture. This activity will be at no charge to C.I.C.B.V.I. patrons. The cost for participants will be \$45 each, of which \$15 will be donated to the Center. There will also be a silent auction held during the event. A preview of the prizes that will be auctioned off are: a Five Senses Spa basket, including Aveda products and an Elemental pedicure, a photo shoot session courtesy of Kelli Drake, and

a limo ride for two out in Peoria to dinner at Connected Restaurant, followed by a movie at Goodrich Willow Knolls Theater.

Other basket sponsors include: Hecht-Stout Insurance Agency, Connected Restaurant, Goodrich Quality Theaters, Skin Dimensions Day Spa, Red Carpet Carwash, Firestone Auto Care, Five Senses Spa & Salon, Aesthetics at Illinois Eye Center, Elle & Elle Salon, Gold's Gym, Ideal Troy, Margie's Dry Cleaners, Starcrest Dry Cleaners, Cyd's Gourmet Kitchen, Wendy's Eyeglass Shack, Elevate Trampoline Park, O'Reilly Auto Parts, Two25, Running Central, and Drake Photography. We are still looking for more donations and sponsors. If you are interested, please contact the Center at (309)637-3693.

## **Kroger Gift Cards**

Thanks to the Oppenheim Trust Fund, the Center is giving out \$100 Kroger gift cards to blind and visually impaired patrons. Please call the Center at (309)637-3693 to sign up by Wednesday, August 22nd.

## **Robert G. Smith Rest In Peace**

Robert "Bob" G. Smith, one of the founding members of CICBVI, age 97, passed away Sunday, July 8, 2018. Bob was a founding member as the Blind Center started out as a member's type of club for the blind in the Peoria Area. Two of Robert's sons are patrons to the center. He spent his final days at the OSF Richard L. Owens Hospice Home in Peoria, IL. Patrons attended a memorial mass in his memory on July 13, 2018 at Holy Family Catholic Church. Memorials may be made to C.I.C.B.V.I. and sent to 2905 W. Garden St., Peoria, IL 61605.

## **Robert G. Smith Memorial Garden**

A C.I.C.B.V.I. board director had a great idea to dedicate a memorial garden in memory of Robert Smith. The garden would be located in the backyard of the Center. We have received donations from Hoerr Nursery and are awaiting responses from other nurseries and landscapers in the area on plants, shrubs, mulch, and topsoil donations. The board is discussing a granite memorial plaque that may sit under a garden bench.

## **Volunteers Needed For Various Committees**

The following committees are looking for individuals to lend their talents: Finance Committee, Fundraising Committee, Programs Committee, and Community Connections Committee. If you or someone you know is interested in volunteering in a committee, please contact the Center.

## **Upcoming Events, Meetings, Fundraisers, And Holidays**

Wednesday, August 1st – Open House – Noon

Saturday, August 4th – Illinois Social Club Annual Meeting – 9 a.m. at C.I.C.B.V.I.

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

Saturday, August 11<sup>th</sup> – 42<sup>nd</sup> Street Musical – East Peoria, IL – 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, August 14th – Board Meeting – 5:30p.m.

Wednesday, August 15th – Open House – Noon

Saturday, August 18th – Jam Session – 1 p.m.

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

Saturday, August 25<sup>th</sup> – White Cane Clinic – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Saturday, August 25<sup>th</sup> – Camelot Musical – 7:30 p.m. – Cornstock Theater, Peoria, IL

Wednesday, August 29<sup>th</sup> – Open House – Noon

Thursday, September 20<sup>th</sup> – Riverboat Cruise – 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. – Moline, IL

Saturday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> – SPLASH: Paint Nite Fundraiser – 7 p.m. – Country Club of Peoria

## **August Birthdays**

August 1 – Terry Lopez

August 7 – Anthony Selvaggio

August 12 – William Pfeifer

August 16 – Priscilla Whipp, Xin Lu, and Gloria-Cassel Fitzgerald

August 19 – Dorine Wright

August 22 – Jane Lough

August 25 – Sharon Pfeifer, Nancy Hall, and Emily Shute

August 26 – Zach Shute

August 28 – Esther Knott

August 29 – Courtney Harper

## **August Anniversaries**

August 8 – Jeff and Patti Woodworth

August 14 – Tom and Pam Vogel

August 18 – Bob and Martha Smith

August 23 – Edward and Margaret Orth

August 26 – Mike and Judy Boyle

## **Meal Menus For August**

August 1st – Open House – Noon – Biscuits, gravy, scrambled eggs, and pudding or fruit.

August 8th – Open House – 5:30 p.m. – Ham, mac & cheese, green beans, cake, and ice cream.

August 15th – Open House – Noon – Burgers, French fries, baked beans, applesauce, and cookies.

August 18th – Jam Session – 3 p.m. – Meatloaf, corn, rolls, potatoes, and dessert.

August 22nd – Open House – 5:30 p.m. – Lasagna, salad, garlic bread, fruit Jell-O, and cookies

August 29th – Open House – Noon – Rigatoni, salad, garlic bread, and dessert.

Bingo will be played at all Open Houses unless otherwise noted. Reservations need to be called in no later than noon on the day before the Open House.

## **Donations – Monetary And In-Kind**

Thanks to the following for their monetary donations: Gregory L. Gum, Susan S. Waldeck, Joanne M. Salmon Trust, Mary Sanders-Turner, Elizabeth Lehnhausen, Kathy M. Reck-Comte, Jerome Caldwell and Haulpak Employee Community.

Thanks to the following for their in-kind donations for the Paint Nite Fundraiser: Hecht-Stout Insurance Agency - use of their limo;

Connected Restaurant - dinner for two; Goodrich Quality Theaters - movie vouchers; Skin Dimensions Day Spa - glycolic treatment basket; Red Carpet Carwash - gift card; Firestone Auto Care - gift card; Five Senses Spa & Salon - gift card and products; Aesthetics at Illinois Eye Center - hydrafacial; Elle & Elle Salon - cut and color; Gold's Gym - two one-month memberships; Ideal Troy - gift card; Margie's Dry Cleaners - gift card; Starcrest Dry Cleaners - gift card; Cyd's Gourmet Kitchen - gift card; Wendy's Eyeglass Shack - gift card; Elevate Trampoline Park - two jump passes; O'Reilly Auto Parts - gift card; Two25 - wine basket; Running Central - gift card; and Drake Photography - photo shoot session.





**Free Matter for the Blind & Visually Impaired**

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**Quote For The Month** – “Perhaps all the dragons of our lives are princesses who are only waiting to see us once beautiful and brave.”  
By Rainer Maria Rilke