WHAT’S UP AT ICLRU?

FRAUD PREVENTION PROGRAM MARCH 13, 10:00 AM, RM 706

The SILVER BEAT educational program ensures that seniors have the knowledge and tools they need to better protect themselves from con artists and deceptive business practices. Let’s learn how best to make them lose at their unscrupulous games. A speaker from the Illinois Attorney General’s Office will address these and other important financial issues pertaining to seniors. Rm 706 has a capacity of just 70 people, so please let the Center know if you are able to attend so that we can put you on the list. Reply by email is fine.

‘GETTING TO KNOW YOU’ ST. PADDY’S PARTY!

Friday, March 28 Alumni Hall...12:15 pm

ICL Welcomes Our New Members along with ALL Members!
Sample Greg’s famous BLARNEY CHILI lunch AND
By popular demand...

ICL’s OWN entertainers The Shamrock Colleens Trio.
See Leprechaun, Bob Masterson-Rm 316-to reserve for some fun.
Limited Seating—We have about 20 seats left

NOTES FROM THE CENTER

Study group confirmation letters were mailed on Wednesday. You should start getting them in a day or so.

Study groups will begin on Monday, March 17th.

Next week you will receive an email with detailed reminder information on the study groups, a final room assignment chart, and a listing of study groups with room to join.

We’re looking forward to seeing you back at the school.
The Illinois Secretary of State’s office recently honored District 214 Community Education Read to Learn (RTL) tutors Stuart Harris (pictured on the left) and ICLRU member, Eugene Swedo (on the right) with the 2013 Spotlight on Service award. This award recognizes outstanding volunteer tutors in Illinois’ literacy programs.

Gene Swedo began tutoring for the Read to Learn program in 1992. He has tutored over 1,200 hours which also makes him a gold member of the club of honor program. He tutors at three locations and always has perfect attendance.

As a veteran, Gene brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the program and is a wonderful mentor to new volunteers.

The District 214 Community Education RTL program’s major goal is to improve the quality of life in the Northwest suburbs by raising the level of literacy among adults.

*Congratulations to Gene on his outstanding volunteerism!*

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**LUNCHTIME PROGRAMS**

**THE CONSCIOUSNESS WORKSHOP:** Tuesdays, 11:45 am, Room 315  This popular lunchtime program returns during the Spring Study Group Session. This is a follow-on to Bob Long’s classes on consciousness, Len Larson will utilize and expand on the principles presented in those classes.

**PLATO’S PLACE:** Wednesday, come to Plato’s Place for some lively conversation. Bring your lunch and join the group in Room 330 at 11:45 am. On March 12, the topic will be: *What is the American dream? Has it changed?*

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**CLUBS**

On March 24, the Travel Club will meet at 11:45 am, room to be announced.
**THINGS TO DO**

**Sunday Musical — Arlington Heights Memorial Library**

**Low Down Brass Band: New Orleans Jazz - March 16**

A horn-driven ensemble with strong roots in the New Orleans Second Line Tradition, LDB mels modern funk, hip-hop, reggae and pop into a unique style. In perfect time for Mardi Gras, Lowdown will perform original compositions that create a high-energy deluge of dance-ability!

Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Performances from 2:00—3:00 pm on March 16 in the Hendrickson Room at the main library at 500 N. Dunton in Arlington Heights, IL.

Sign up at the AHML info desk, or call 847-392-0100 or register online at [www.ahml.info](http://www.ahml.info).

Note: A library card with AHML is not required to attend Sunday Musicale events.

**Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War**

**April 2 to May 16 — Gail Borden Public Library, 270 N. Grove Ave., Elgin, IL (847-742-2411)**

Abraham Lincoln was confronted with enormous challenges when he was elected President in 1860. The nation was on the brink of Civil War, and Lincoln struggled with issues of secession, slavery, and civil liberties—all questions our country’s founding charter left unanswered. President Lincoln used the Constitution to confront these three intertwined crises of war, ultimately reinventing the Constitution and the promise of American life. This exhibition develops a more complete understanding of Abraham Lincoln as president, and the Civil War as the nation’s gravest constitutional crisis. Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War was organized by the National Constitution Center and the American Library Association Public Programs Office, and was made possible by a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

**Experience Lincoln’s legacy with memorable programs.** Learn more about President Lincoln and the Civil War at special programs throughout April.

- Folksinger and musician, Chris Vallillo will perform music that Lincoln loved on April 3.
- Lincoln author, Dr. Al Gini, of Loyola University, will discuss Lincoln, leadership, and ethics at the Lincoln Exhibition kickoff, April 6, followed by a reception with Civil War re-enactors, a Lincoln impersonator, and music of the Civil War performed by dulcimer player, Phil Passen.
- Then, on April 23, author Robert I. Girardi, takes a unique look at generals who led the armies of the Civil War.

For more info, please go to [www.gailborden.info](http://www.gailborden.info).
SEASONAL REMINDERS

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME—BEGINS AT 2 AM ON SUNDAY, MARCH 9.

When you change your clocks, don’t forget to check the batteries on your smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors.

CAUTION—COYOTES IN THE SUBURBS

Coyote sightings continue to rise and the animals are most active in Spring. These nocturnal animals want to avoid humans, but contact may be unavoidable. Be careful driving at night and keep an eye on small pets. Don’t feed birds or small animals now, as it may ultimately attract other dangerous predators.

LET WATER GET TO THE STORM DRAINS

Melting snow and heavy spring rains can cause serious problems. When water can’t be absorbed by open areas, because of streets, sidewalks and buildings, it is directed into storm drains. This prevents water pooling in the streets and flooding area homes. If you are able, help keep storm drains clear of snow, ice, and debris.

WINTER BREAK

The Update has been in hiatus for a few weeks while your staff took a slight “winter break.” Talk about being whipsawed around...

The pictures on the left and middle were from this past Monday. The picture on the right was taken yesterday when we got home — Back to Reality!
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ICLRU is a 501(c)3 Non-Profit organization. While affiliated with Roosevelt University, the ICLRU is run by its members, through an elected Board of Directors and the Chairpersons of its various committees. All persons on the Board and the committees are volunteers. All members are encouraged to participate to keep the organization vibrant.

Membership is open to seniors, age 55 and over, who have reached a point in life where they want to pursue their interests in a continuing learning and social environment with a group of like-minded peers.

ICLRU’S MISSION AND VISION

The mission of the ICLRU is to offer its members a non-credit, non-degree educational program together with social and cultural opportunities through which older adults may share their talents, experiences and skills.

Our Vision: To enrich our members’ experiences, while making the ICLRU an essential organization for Roosevelt University and our larger community.

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