

Senior seminar to focus on future

Planning for the future will be the subject of a Senior Focus seminar at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 24 at ElderWood Village at Glenwood, 5271 Main St., Williamsville.

Representatives from ElderWood Senior Care will discuss the different levels of senior housing and residential health care available locally, including independent living, assisted living and skilled nursing. In addition, representatives from Hogan Willig attorneys at law will discuss estate planning, health care proxy, power of attorney and wills, and Dengler & Roberts Funeral Home will also discuss the details involved in burial trusts and funeral preplanning.

The program is free of charge and light refreshments will be served. Reservations are encouraged.

For more information or reservations, call 688-9543, ext. 232 or visit www.elderwood.com.



What's Going On

Homewood Fall production set

The Homewood Theatre Company will present its Fall 2007 production "Autumn Leaves, Jack O'Lanterns, and Ghost Stories" at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Oct. 19-20 and 26-27 at Ascension Lutheran Church, 4640 Main St., at Burroughs Drive. Half of the ticket money will be given to Habitat for Humanity and the other half will be given to the American Diabetes Association. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$3.50 for children 12 and younger.

Halloween Happenings set at Clearfield

The Amherst Recreation Department will present Halloween Happenings at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 20 at the Clearfield Community Center, 730 Hopkins Road, Williamsville. Crafts and activities will be provided. Pinatas will be broken at 11:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. All participants must have a valid Town of Amherst Recreation Department ID. Call 631-7132.

Oktoberfest Celebration set at St. Mary's School

St. Mary's School in Swormville will hold its annual Oktoberfest Celebration from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. Saturday Oct. 20 in the Parish Center located at 6919 Transit Road, East Amherst. Tickets are \$20 per person and include Authentic German Cuisine, dessert, beer, wine and pop. Themed Basket Auctions and 50/50 Raffles will be held throughout the evening, and prizes given for the best "Authentic Oktoberfest Attire" worn. The featured entertainment for the evening will be the Frankfurters. Call Terri at 688-1277.

St. Leo Casino Night set for Oct. 20

St. Leo the Great will hold a Casino Night from 7 to 11 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 20 at the school, 903 Sweet Home Road, Amherst. Admission is \$10 pre-sale, \$12 at the door and includes food, two drinks and entertainment, including casino games. Raffle tickets will also be on sale for \$5. For more information, call 834-5223 or for raffle information, call 632-8155.

Jo-Ann Fabric, Craft Stores set fall classes

Jo-Ann Fabric and Craft Stores, 1551 Niagara Falls Blvd., Amherst, has released its line-up of fall classes including Face Painting by Crafty Dab from noon to 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 20 and Spool Knitting by Quincraft from noon to 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17. For more information, visit www.joann.com.

MSM Italian dinner, concert set

Mount St. Mary Academy will feature a fall concert and Italian Dinner at 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 20. Featured musicians include the school's Jazz Ensemble, Concert Band and String Orchestra. Advance tickets are \$6. Tickets at the door are \$8. Call the school at 877-1358 or band director John Hathaway at 689-1100.

Sweet Home PTA to hold craft fair

The Sweet Home PTA Council Craft Fair will host a craft fair from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 20 at Sweet Home High School, 1901 Sweet Home Road, Amherst. Over 150 crafters will be on hand and proceeds from the \$2 admission will benefit the PTA Council's Scholarship Fund. Call 250-1267.

Depression, anxiety seminar set

A seminar for parents and teens entitled The Great Ride: Emotional Fluctuations and Problems in Teens" will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 21 at Randall Baptist Church, 6301 Main St., Williamsville. Presenters Chris Snyder, social worker at Williamsville South High School, and Jim Walton, Youth Pastor of Randall Baptist Church will be reviewing signs and symptoms of depression, anxiety, emotional problems. Call 634-9800.

Jewish Genealogical Society meeting set

A meeting of the Jewish Genealogical Society of Buffalo will be held at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 21 in the Lippman Lounge at the Jewish Community Center, Bendersen Building, 2640 N. Forest Road, Getzville. The program will feature the movie "The Geographic Project," which maps the human family tree. Call 689-9670.

Secular Sundays set at CFI

The Center For Inquiry, 1310 Sweet Home Road, will present the Secular Sundays speaker series at 11 a.m. Sundays. CFI senior vice president R. Joseph Hoffman will speak on Oct. 21 on the topic, "God Help us? Competing Theologies of the Middle East." Call S 636-4869, ext. 408.

Adoption STAR session set

Adoption STAR will hold an orientation session from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 23 at Adoption STAR, 47 Plaza Drive, Williamsville, for anyone interested in adopting and learning more about adoption. Call 639-3900.

SENIOR NEWS

The following events will take place at the Amherst Center for Senior Services, 350 John James Audubon Parkway. Registration is required. For more information, call 636-3059.

Farmer's Market, 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., every Tuesday in October in the lounge.

Donated books for sale in the Waiting Lounge. Three for 50 cents.

Gallery display for September and October, "Eclectic Images" by Ron Palmere.

Coffee with the Candidates, 9 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 18.

Women's Issues, 11 a.m. Monday, Oct. 22.

"Apocalypso," 12:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 22. Directed by Mel Gibson.

Bat Facts, 12:45 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 23.

Camera Club, digital imaging discussion and workshop, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 24.

Game Day, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 25.

Men's Issues, 11 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 25.

Healing through Grief, 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 26

Cooking with Ann, 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 30. Cost is \$14.

Halloween Lunch, noon, Wednesday, Oct. 31.

Halloween Party, 1 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 31. Fee is \$2 for members, \$3 for nonmembers.

Pancake Brunch, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 1. Hosted by Amherst Meals on Wheels. Call 636-3065.

Open Auditions, Men's vocal group, 1 p.m. Monday, Nov. 5, Classroom 3.

Swing the Night Away, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 7 with the Oren Hollasch Swing Trio.

Flu, pneumonia shots Tuesday and Wednesday, Nov. 13 and 14. Flu shot, \$30; pneumonia shot, \$45.

Holiday Hoedown, 7 to 10 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 28. Entertainment by Dottie Ryer.

Table Tennis/Ping-Pong is played 1 to 4 p.m. Tuesdays in Activity Room A and 9:30 a.m. to noon in Activity Room B.

Women's Pool, 9 to 11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday in the billiards room.

Blood Pressure Screenings, 11 a.m. to noon Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Knitting Club, 9 a.m. Tuesdays in the waiting lounge.

Mah-Jongg Club, 1 p.m. Tuesdays in the card room.

Wheelchair Van Service will run from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays and is available to Amherst residents 55 and older. Call 636-3075 for more information.

Instructors Wanted Send a brief outline of the proposed subject matter to Phyllis Holmes, Amherst Senior Services, 370 John James Audubon Parkway, Amherst, NY 14228 or call 636-3055, ext. 109.

Music Combo, noon Fridays in the music room.

Drama Club, 12:30 p.m. Mondays in Classroom 3.

Duplicate Bridge, 9 a.m. Thursdays in the card room.

Men's Social Club, 1 p.m. Wednesdays in the card room.

Stained Glass Groups, 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Thursdays, art room.

Needlework Club, 9:30 a.m. Mondays in Classroom 1.

Scrabble Club, 12:30 p.m. Thursdays in the card room.

Pinocle, 12:45 p.m. Wednesdays in the card room.

Pinocle Review, 9 a.m. Fridays in the card room.

Amherst Senior Singers, 12:45 to 2:45 p.m. Wednesdays. Call 632-3929.

Woodcarving classes, 9 a.m. Tuesdays in the art room.

Amherst Recorder Consort, 9 to 11 a.m. Fridays, music room. Call 836-5568.

Bridge Club, 1 p.m. Fridays in the card room.

Bingo, 1 p.m. Thursdays.

Chess matches, 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays in Classroom 2.

Canasta Club meets at 12:30 p.m. Mondays.

Chess, 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays in Classroom 2. Call 639-5950.

Cribbage, 1 p.m. Thursdays in the card room.

Dominoes Club, 1 p.m. second and fourth Mondays of every month.

Duplicate Bridge, 9 a.m. Thursdays in the card room.

Quilting Club, Mondays in Classroom 4 immediately after lunch.

Blood Pressure Screening, 11 a.m. to noon every Wednesday and Thursday.

Lunch Menu

The cost of lunch is \$2.25 for Erie County residents age 60 and older. Call 636-3059.

Wednesday, Oct. 17 — Two baked chicken thighs in barbecue sauce, corn, seasoned potato wedges, apples

Thursday, Oct. 18 — Roast pork and gravy, duchess mashed potatoes, carrots, strawberry Bavarian

Friday, Oct. 19 — Spaghetti and meatballs with tomato sauce, broccoli, cauliflower, sherbet

Monday, Oct. 22 — Baked chicken breast with gravy, ratatouille, Lyonnaise mashed potatoes, cookies

Tuesday, Oct. 23 — Sloppy Joe, peas, mashed potatoes, tropical fruit cup



What's Going On

Niagara Frontier Doll Show set

The Niagara Frontier Doll Club will present its 20th annual show and sale from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 21 at the Holiday Inn, 1881 Niagara Falls Blvd., Amherst. Antique and collectible dolls, bears, miniatures and related items will be available. Admission is \$5, children under 12 are free. Call Dorothy at 694-0279, Joan at 634-4272 or Nancy at 689-6347.

Task force DVD to be shown at meeting

Anne Rohre, coalition coordinator of the Amherst Task Force for Healthy Community Youth will show "Now It's Your Turn" and discuss how to support positive youth development efforts at the Zonta Club of Amherst's meeting at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 23 at Fanny's Restaurant, 3500 Sheridan Drive, Amherst. Cost of dinner is \$22. Call 689-8842.

Ishmael Beah to continue speaker series

Ishmael Beah, author of "A Long Way Gone: Memoirs of a Boy Soldier," will continue the University at Buffalo Distinguished Speaker series at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 24 in Alumni Arena on UB's North Campus. Call 645-6666 or visit the Web site www.specialevents.buffalo.edu.

Writing seminar set at Pepsi Center

"Starting Your Freelance Writing Career" seminar will be held from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 24 in the Gold Room at the Amherst Pepsi Center, 1615 Amherst Manor Drive, Williamsville. The program is designed for writers who want to learn how to get started setting up a freelance writing business, the unique ways to make money writing and how to reach financial success. Cost is \$45. Call Kathryn Radeff at 542-2029.

Back pain technology seminar set at center

"Cold Laser, Chronic Pain and You," will be the topic of a one hour free seminar at 7 p.m. Oct. 24 at the Harlem Rd. Community Center in Amherst. Learn how this revolutionary new technology is changing the face of medicine for arthritis, arthritic knee and back pain. For reservations or directions, call 633-0588.

Summit to present autism conference

Summit Educational Resources will sponsor a one-day conference, "Promoting Functional Communication in Children with Autism: Addressing the Verbal Challenge," from 8 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 24 at the Ramada Hotel and Conference Center, 2402 N. Forest Road, Getzville. Cost is \$150 for professionals, \$90 for parents and students. Call Michelle Kranz at 629-3434.