Scams Report

Submitted by Arnold Shifrin

Director of Communications, SALT



National Do Not Call Registry Scam

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) National Do Not Call Registry gives you an opportunity to opt out of receiving telemarketing calls. Once you register your phone number, telemarketers are required by federal law to stop calling you. You can register up to three home or mobile phone numbers online at *donotcall.gov* or by calling 1-888-382-1222 from the phone you wish to register. Only personal phones may be registered. Business phones and fax machines are not eligible.

How the scam works

You receive a call from someone claiming to represent the FTC National Do Not Call Registry. The caller tells you that your registration has recently expired and offers to help you with the renewal process. You're asked to pay a small handling fee and verify your personal information in order to reinstate the service.

Facts to keep in mind

- Telephone numbers on the registry never expire. Once your phone number is added to the registry, you don't need to renew it. If a caller claiming to represent the FTC tells you that your registration has expired and has to be renewed, hang up the phone. You are dealing with a scammer.
- Some organizations are legally permitted to call you even if your phone number is registered. These include charities, political and religious groups, debt collectors, companies with whom you have recently done business, companies conducting surveys, and companies to whom you have given written permission to contact you.

If you are a victim of this scam, report it to the following agencies:

- Any money you remit to renew your registration is lost to scammers and cannot be recovered.
- If you provide the personal information requested by the caller, you risk having your identity stolen and money taken from your account.
- If you change phone numbers, you must register the new number if you want to block calls from telemarketers.
- Registered phone numbers that are disconnected and reassigned are removed from the registry. New owners of reassigned numbers must register their numbers if they want to block calls from telemarketers.
- If you registered your phone number and later decide you'd like to start receiving calls from telemarketers, you may submit a request to the FTC at any time to have your number removed from the registry.
- Legitimate telemarketing companies strive to comply with the law and will not call you if your phone number is registered.
- If your phone number is registered and a telemarketer calls you, the caller is breaking the law and is likely a scammer. Hang up the phone and report the incident to the FTC at reportfraud.ftc.gov or

1-877-FTC-HELP (1-877-382-4357). Federal Trade Commission at *identitytheft.gov* or 1-877-438-4338, Illinois Attorney General's Senior Fraud Helpline at 1-800-243-5377, and your local police department. [Source: FTC]



THE S.A.L.T. COMMUNICATOR

Celebrating 25 Years of The S.A.L.T. Council!

Seniors and Law Enforcement Together

Serving and Protecting Senior Citizens

The Senior Auto Inspection is Back at a NEW Location!

Certified mechanics and volunteers will perform a *free* 40-point check of each car and make recommendations for the winter months ahead.

All tires, including spares, will be checked for air pressure and inflated as needed. Fluids will also be topped off as needed.

Coffee and cookies will be provided during your wait.

Please join us!
Saturday, October 8th, 2022
9am-Noon

NEW Location:

The DuPage County Fairgrounds Building #4.

Please enter off of Manchester Rd. and Beverly St. in Wheaton, IL 60187 Please follow the signs.



(L to R) Jim Hatcher and Larry Gage

Happy 25th Anniversary Milton Township SALT Council

By Chuck Smith, SALT Council Chairman

This September we are very pleased to announce that the Milton Township SALT Council has been providing resources and services to our seniors for 25 years!

This special council was formed initially to assist seniors that, through a survey, expressed a concern about transportation, door to door solicitors, and a need for information about resources for seniors. Over the last 25 years this great organization has grown from a contact base of 6,200 seniors to more than 14,000 senior homes today.

The SALT Communicator quarterly newsletter publishes timely and valuable education and information to seniors on the topics of health & safety, scams, crime and abuse.

In addition, the SALT Committee provides contact with and links via our website to resources that are available in the community. Monthly meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of each month feature various speakers on timely topics. The subjects covered include current scam reports by Arnie Shifrin, local police officer reports, and other current local events and resources available to help support the daily lives of our seniors.

These meetings, which are open to the public, are held in the conference room of the Glen Ellyn Police Department located at 65 S. Park Avenue, Glen Ellyn.

At our September 12, 2022 25th anniversary meeting we were honored to have in attendance three great individuals that were part of the founding members of the SALT Council. They are Jim Hatche, Carl Lofgren, and Larry Gage. We honor and thank them for all of their years of service and dedication to the seniors of Milton Township. Jim Hatcher made an excellent presentation on the purpose and original founding of the Milton Township S.A.L.T. Council. We thank him for his insight and contribution to SALT for the past 25 years.

The Milton Township SALT website at miltontownshipSALT.com offers a trove of resources in our community. Check out our tabs on Transportation, Food Security, Housing, Safety & Communication, Legal & Financial services, Health as well as Age Guide.

DuPage Animal Services

Presented at the July 2022 SALT Meeting

Laura Winnie

Educations & Community Engagement Coordinator

What is the difference between service and emotional support animals?

- Service Animals are allowed anywhere the public is allowed
- A service animal is typically a dog
- A service animal is trained to do a specific task
- A service animal is covered under the ADA Act, Ari Carrier Act, Fair Housing Law, and Equal Opportunity Commission.
- Emotional support animals are considered a pet with no special training
- Emotional support animals are not allowed in restaurants/public areas
- Emotional support animals cannot be on a plane without paying fees
- Emotional support animals are covered under the Fair Housing Act and Equal Opportunity Commission.

Be a good citizen, get your pet vaccinated from Rabies!

The spread of rabies is most effectively controlled by vaccinating your domestic pets against the disease. Keeping your animal up-to-date with vaccinations is not only essential to prevention, it is the law. All dogs and cats in DuPage County are required by law to be currently vaccinated against rabies.

How Often Am I Required to Get My Pet Vaccinated?

- Cats and dogs over 4 months of age must be vaccinated against rabies once a year.
- Three year rabies vaccines are available for animals over 1 year of age that have a current rabies vaccine.
- Once your pet has been vaccinated you will receive a rabies vaccination certificate and a rabies tag from your veterinarian (tags may also be purchased from DuPage County Animal Services). The certificate is your proof of your pet's rabies vaccination status and should be kept in a safe place.
- Attach the tag to your pet's collar for identification and proof of vaccination. Your pet must wear the tag anytime it is off your property.

Citations for failure to vaccinate your pet, register your pet, or display your pet's rabies tag can result in fines starting at \$175.00.

There are also rabies vaccines approved for ferrets, horses, swine, sheep, and cattle. While not required by law, they could save your pet's life.

If you have more questions and would like to contact DuPage County Animal Services,, please see below.

Phone:

630-407-2800

Address:

Fax:

120 N. County Farm Rd.

630-407-2801

Wheaton, IL 60187

Come Join Us at Bingo-cize! No need to sign up, just attend! The program will continue every Thursday until the end of the year.



Improve Health, Make Friends, and Win Prizes!

Bingocize is an evidence-based group exercise program designed to increase mobility and fitness. Exercises offered are appropriate for people at all fitness levels. Join us to improve your health, make new friends, and WIN PRIZES!



Every Thursday, 1-2PM

Hosted At: Milton Township 1492 N. Main St. Wheaton, IL



No need to register, just show up! 630-668-1616















Veteran's Assistance

Veterans Assistance Commission of DuPage County

Mission Statement: The mission of the Veterans Assistance Commission of DuPage County, Illinois, is to provide emergency financial assistance to indigent veterans and their families. The mission is also to seek to understand and to improve the economic well being and quality of life for the veterans of DuPage County, who have served our country honorably, in the Armed Forces of the United States. The VAC also provides non-financial services and seeks to identify and provide for other needs that Veterans and their families may have.

Examples of Assistance:

A partial listing of available services provided include assistance with the following:

- Mortgage or rent payments
- Utility payments
- Emergency medical prescription
- VA Medical Transportation needs
- Burial expenses.
- Work or Home related expenses.
- Food/Family Essentials
- Auto Expenses

Address:

421 N. County Farm Road 2nd Fl - Rear of Cafeteria Wheaton, IL 60187

Free Dental Cleanings to Vets at The College of DuPage!

The Dental Hygiene Clinic at College of DuPage provides state-of-the-art educational facility and hands-on experience to students while also providing dental hygiene services to the community. Dental Hygiene students are supervised by licensed dental hygiene instructors and clinical dentists.

If a patient qualifies to be treated in the COD Dental Hygiene Clinical, the patient must be aware that multiple 3-hour appointments will be required.

Services:

Under the supervision of licensed dental hygiene instructors and clinical dentists, students provide preventative dental services, including:

- Children and adult teeth cleaning
- Deep scaling
- Fluoride treatments
- Traditional and digital x-rays
- Clinic fee of \$30 (includes: teeth cleaning, toothbrush, toothpaste sample and floss)
- Traditional and digital x-rays: ranging from \$15 to \$30
- Dental sealants: \$8 per tooth
- Teeth whitening (must be 18 years or older): \$100

The clinic also offers a 25 percent discount to COD faculty and employees, as well as seniors age 65 and older.

Military/Veterans and COD students are free.

For more information or appointments, call (630) 942-3250.

Caption Call

Presented at the September S.A.L.T. Meeting

Irina Reiser

Account Manager

Communicate easier with advanced call captioning at no cost to people with hearing loss who need captions to use the phone.

Step One: Make or answer a call as usual with CaptionCall.

Step Two: A CaptionCall captioning agent and automated speech recognition

transcribes with the other person says.

Step Three: You read the conversation—you can save the captions, too!

Why phone captioning is important:

- Trouble hearing on the phone is common, even with hearing aids
- Regular phones make it hard to distinguish speech tones
- Phone calls have no visual cues to support understanding
- People with hearing loss can lose the benefits of social interaction
- CaptionCall can help people stay connected with life

Will using CaptionCall increase my monthly phone bill?

No. Telephone captioning is a no-cost ADA service the government provides to people with hearing loss who have trouble communicating on the phone.

Can I keep the same phone number?

A traditional CaptionCall phone uses your existing landline phone. The CaptionCall Mobile App assigns you a new mobile number; most people forward their existing mobile number to use the app.





630-746-0909

Calling All Volunteers!

There is an urgent need for help delivering hot and frozen meals to our local seniors.

Volunteers can sign up to deliver on a day that works best for them and in so doing provide a much needed service to those in need. For more information, see flyer to left.

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Serving & Protecting Our Senior Citizens



Would You Like To.. Read a past issue of this newsletter?

www.miltontownshipsalt.com

Call the Township? (630) 668-1616

Visit Us At the Township? 1492 N. Main St Wheaton, IL 60187

Have Questions or comments? C.bielawski@miltontownship.net

Thinking about "going green" and would like to receive The Communicator electronically? Please Email c.bielawski@miltontownship.net

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