Ela Township 55+

February 2022



Ela Community Center 380 Surryse Road, Lake Zurich 60047 Susan Dillon, Community Programs Director 847-438-9160 elatownship.org/seniors Ela Township 55+ on

Center Hours: Monday–Friday 8:30am – 5:00pm

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LEARN & LUNCH TO GO

Strengthen Your Immune System Through Nutrition With Laura Burk Tuesday, February 8, 11:30am – 1:00pm Enjoy the presentation, then bring your lunch

home to enjoy.

It's never been more important to have a strong immune system. Join Laura Burk as she teaches us these practical and tasty ways to boost our immunity.

Fee: \$10 Resident/\$15 Non-Resident Participants must register one week prior

ZOOM WINE TASTING

Wine & Charcuterie Friday, February 25 6:00 – 7:00pm

Stave off the winter cold with a delicious wine and charcuterie pairing. Guests will pick up a prepared box filled with delightful foods and their accompanying wines at 2:00pm at the Community Center.

Later, join us via zoom at 6:00pm as we all learn about these wines with each other in the comfort of our own homes.

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GENERAL INFORMATION



SERVICES

Ela Township 55+ Senior Resource Services

Our senior resource office assists Ela Township residents with many programs and links them with services to promote independence and a sense of well-being. Lisa Gaggiano or Laura Kulawik, our Senior Resource Specialists, will help you in any way possible.

Pharmaceutical Assistance

State Benefits/Department of Human Service Programs Senior Health Insurance Counseling (SHIP) Extra Help/Medicare Savings Program **Information and Referrals**

Trained by the Illinois Department on Aging

Call us to schedule your telephone, zoom or in person appointment.

As always, SHIP counseling is FREE!

847-438-9160 or lisag@elatownship.org or laurak@elatownship.org

One to One Help



There are so many things to think about as we age. Each who, where, what, when and why question can be overwhelming. Advanced planning is key to so many of these questions and it will help ease your mind. Tools we will help you complete:

- 5 Wishes
- **Comprehensive Decision Guide for End of Life**
- **Pre Estate Planning Questionnaire**
- Assistance with Housing Options

Death Café

Friday, February 18, 12:30 - 2:00pm



For most of us, death is a taboo and uncomfortable subject. All are invited to engage in what will hopefully be an enjoyable and connected experience in considering what it means to be mortal. Join us for a thoughtful discussion about the end of life and share your experiences, thoughts, and fears about death in a relaxed setting.



This month's presentation is from Science Care on Whole Body Donation. No Charge **Registration Required**

Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group

Presented by Alzheimer's Association Facilitated by Lisa Gaggiano via ZOOM

Tuesday, February 1 7:00-8:00pm ZOOM

NO CHARGE Registration Required



Parkinson's Support Group

Presented by Parkinson's Foundation Facilitated by Laura Kulawik

Wednesday, February 9 6:00-7:00pm Zoom





Tech Help with Jim

Did you get a new device over the holidays? Don't have a clue how to use it? Trying to figure out how to download those pictures?

Make an appointment with Jim for some help with your technology. All devices must be portable.



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Masks Required for ALL Guests CENTER CLOSED: FEBRUARY 21



CONTACT-FREE CURBSIDE LUNCH PICK-UP

Enjoy delicious home-made lunches:

Call or email us at 847-438-9160/susand@elatownship.org to order by the week prior. All lunches are \$5.00 and are picked up curbside at 11:30am. Please have exact change or checks ready. All lunches have **DESSERT**

WE ARE BACK! IES WILL RESTART

CURBSIDE LUNCHES WILL RESTART AS OF JANUARY 31 ORDERS MUST BE PLACED BY THE PRIOR WEEK'S THURSDAY.

Mon, 1/31 Mostaccioli, Salad, Roll Tue, 2/1 Potstickers, Chinese Chicken Salad Wed, 2/2 Cranberry Chicken over Rice, Salad Thu, 2/3 Sloppy Joe's, Baked Beans Fri, 2/4 Turkey Tetrazzini, Salad

Mon, 2/7 Reuben Sandwich, Chips & Pickles Tue, 2/8 Lasagna, Salad, Garlic Bread Wed, 2/9 Beer Brats, Potato Salad Thu, 2/10 Pork Loin, Texas Potatoes Fri, 2/11 Fish Tacos, Rice & Beans

Mon, 2/14 SPECIAL VALENTINE'S DINNER

Tue, 2/15 Chicken and Vegetable Stir Fry w/ Rice
Wed, 2/16 Chicken Pad Thai, Steamed Veggies
Thu, 2/17 Southwest Pulled Pork, Roasted Sweet Potatoes
Fri, 2/18 Meatball Sub, Chips

Mon, 2/21 CLOSED PRESIDENTS' DAY

Tue, 2/22 Baked Enchiladas, Salad
Wed, 2/23 Baked Ham w/ Cheesy Potatoes
Thu, 2/24 Stuffed Peppers, Mixed Veggies
Fri, 2/25 Orange Ginger Salmon over Rice, Salad

Mon, 2/28 Lemon Parmesan Chicken, Roasted Veggies

Valentine's Day Dinner Pick-Up Monday, February 14 CURBSIDE PICK UP AT 12pm

Treat yourself, and maybe someone special to a delicious Valentine's Day Dinner. Pick up your meals curbside at noon and simply heat up to enjoy later in the evening. Re-heating instructions included.

Dinner Menu: Spinach & Mushroom Ravioli, Roasted Broccoli Rabe, Caesar Salad, Fresh Italian Bread, Chocolate Lava Cake

Fee: \$10 Resident/\$15 Non-Resident

Participants must register no later than February 7

LONG DISTANCE TRAVEL

ALL LONG DISTANCE TRAVEL REQUIRES THAT GUESTS BE FULLY VACCINATED AND SHOW PROOF OF VACCINATION. ANY TRAVEL OUTSIDE OF THE U.S. REQUIRES A NEGATIVE PCR TEST THAT WILL BE ARRANGED BY ELA 55+ AND THE TRAVEL COMPANIES.

WHY GROUP TRAVEL?:

- * Safety
- * Details are covered
- * Company Experience
- * Professionally Guided
- Quality Insurance Cultural Experiences
- * Cultural Experiences
- * Airport Transfers
- * Arranged Admissions
- * Peace of Mind
- Comradery
- * Value
- * Provided Technology
- * Travel Support
- Unique Opportunities





LONG DISTANCE TRAVEL

Danube Delight River Cruise

May 5-15, 2022

11 Days 22 Meals: 9 Breakfasts • 6 Lunches • 7 Dinners For more information or to ask any questions please contact Susan Dillon.

Five countries in 11 Days will change your perspective! Experience the Danube River aboard your Emerald Waterways star-ship. Includes two nights in Prague and escorted shore excursions with English-speaking guides in six cities.

Take this once-in-a-lifetime trip with all your friends from Ela 55+.

Ladies Only: Harbor Country Michigan Ela 55+ Exclusive Trip

May 24–26, 2022

For more information or to ask any questions please contact Susan Dillon.

- Union Pier
- Deluxe Motorcoach Catered Breakfasts
- Winery Tours & Tastings Landmark Lakeside Inn •
 - Sawyer Market
- Holland

Single \$525 Resident/\$575 Non-Resident

Discover Door County, Cape Cod of the Midwest Ela 55+ Exclusive Trip

August 28–September 1, 2022 For more information or to ask any questions please contact Susan Dillon.

Lavender Farm

- Washington Is. Ferry
- Peninsula State Park School House Beach
- Winery Tour Fish Boil
- Boat Tour

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- Seaquist Orchard Tour
- Supper Club Dinner

Double \$1075 Resident/\$1125 Non-Resident Single \$1425 Resident/\$1475 Non-Resident

Spotlight on the French Riviera

September 17–September 25, 2022 9 Days/11 Meals Information meeting Wednesday, February 16 at 6:00pm.

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- Nice
- Food Tour & Tasting

Café du Monde

- Monaco
- Monte Carlo
- Saint-Honorat Island •

Cannes

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Grasse

- Saint-Jean-Cap-Ferrat

Southern Harmony: Featuring New Orleans & Gulf Coast November 6-11, 2022

For more information or to ask any questions please contact Susan Dillon.

Double \$2,295 Per Person

- Maritime Museum
 - Gulf Island Seashore
 - **Roundtrip Airfare**







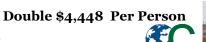




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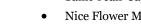
- New Orleans Tour French Quarter Tour Natchez Cruise
 - Bellingrath Garden
 - Biloxi Shrimp Boat •

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MIXED PROGRAMMING

First Fridays Club

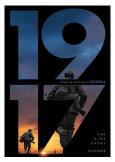
A New Year, a New You! Time to connect with people and build friendships. Join us the first Friday of each month for a new way to connect with others. Calling all of our single folks! Single/divorcees/widows and widowers; this is for you!



Movie Night-1917

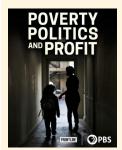
April 6th, 1917. As an infantry battalion assembles to wage war deep in enemy territory, two soldiers are assigned to race against time and deliver a message that will stop 1,600 men from walking straight into

> a deadly trap. **Friday, February 4 6:00 – 8:00pm At the Community Center Registration is required**



Open Discussions, Monday, 1:00 – 2:00pm

Join Jim each month as we watch a brief documentary prior to meeting, and then discuss each topic every month. We will cover a WIDE variety of topics from Mental Health to Racism to Pollution. No Fee Registration is required.



Poverty, Politics and Profit Monday, February 7

More working Americans are struggling to make rent than at any time since the Great Depression. FRONTLINE and NPR join forces to investigate the crisis in affordable housing and why so few are getting the help they need. The team follows a money trail that raises questions about the oversight of a program meant to house low-income people. Poverty, Politics and Profit also explores the inseparability of race and housing programs in America, tracing a legacy of segregation and discrimination that began more than 80 years ago.

Reel Talk Wednesday, 12:00 – 2:00pm Fee: \$3 Resident/\$5 Non–Resident

Flex your mental muscle as we take in a topical documentary followed by a round table discussion. Each session begins with a documentary no longer than 90 minutes, followed by time for dissection and discussion.



A Secret Love Wednesday, February 16

Pat Henschel and Terry Donahue began dating in 1947, a time when lesbians were arrested in bar raids and homosexuality was practically verboten. They lived discreetly as a couple in Chicago for decades. Donahue, once a professional athlete, could hardly hold an object due to complications from Parkinson's Disease. Filmed over the course of four years, A Secret Love captures the couple's voyage into the final phase of their relationship–side-by-side, as always.

Art Club

Tuesdays, 10:00 – 11:15am

Feeling creative? Come join our Art Group. We meet weekly, no experience necessary. Painting and drawing, watercolors, acrylics, pastels, colored pencil, charcoal, and more. Sandra Peek is our resident artist and Jerry Gagnon is our resource man. We have supplies on hand to get you going. If you are looking for people who happily share talents, come join us. No Fee

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Ela 55+ HEALTH AND WELLNESS							
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY			
MORNING MOVERS 9:00—9:45am NO CHARGE	CARDIO STRENGTH 9:00—9:45am	MORNING MOVERS 9:00—9:45am NO CHARGE MACHO MAN 1:00—1:45am	INTERVAL TRAINING 9:00—9:45am	MORNING MOVERS 9:00—9:45am NO CHARGE RESTORATIVE YOGA 10:00—10:45am			
NEW EXERCISE PUNCH CARDS : 10 Punches \$30 Resident/\$40 Non—Resident 20 Punches \$60 Resident/\$80 Non—Resident							
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CARDIO/CORE STRENGTH			ORDINATION GH/LOW HEART RATE BODY MOVEMENTS				
RESTORATIVE YOGA: PUNCH CARD FRIDAYS, 10:00 — 10:45am IMPROVE FOCUS, FLEXIBILITY & IMMUNITY • LOWER BLOOD PRESSURE • REDUCE STRESS							
COVID HEALTH & WELLNESS SURVEY							

Have you at any point tested positive for Covid?

Both

No

We asked and you responded! Thank you to all who participated in our COVID Health & Wellness Survey. Through your responses we were able to gather some awesome data:

- Yes, before being vaccinated
 - Yes, after being vaccinated
- Over 97% of our membership is FULLY Vaccinated Under 10% have contracted COVID
- 19% are feeling Overwhelmed, Irritable or Anxious
- 45% are feeling Optimistic
- 60% are having difficulty sleeping

If you are struggling or would like someone to reach out to you, please contact Ela 55+ at 847-438-9160 or the Ela Health & Wellness Department at 847-540-8380 or health@elatownship.org

CARDS & BINGO

Bridge: Tuesdays, 12:00pm – 3:00pm

90.3%

People of all skill levels are encouraged to come to this fun filled activity. You need to register for this activity.

Canasta: Mondays, 10:00 – 11:30am

Experienced or never played before, join us for the fun and challenging game of Canasta.

Bingo: Thursdays, Noon- 1:30pm

All Bingo participants take turns being the caller. A sign up calendar is available during Bingo.

Pinochle: Tuesdays, 10:00 – 11:30am

Even if you never played cards before, don't worry. You will be taught the necessary skills and correct terminology.

Poker: Tuesdays, 9:00am —11:00am Long time player or just starting, there is a place for you at our table!

Participants must register for ALL games.

Ela REGISTRATION All in-house events with food require participants to be fully vaccinated February Registration Form For office use only date: ______ INITIALS ______ PAYMENT AMOUNT: ______ CHECK ______

Payments may be mailed or dropped off Credit Card payment can be taken over the phone. No refunds. Any credits issued will go into your virtual wallet.

Name (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!)___

Resident Member		_ Phone	E-Mail			
Credit Card #		– (2.65% processing charge per transaction)				
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PROGRAMS IN RED ARE VIRTUAL FEBRUARY 2022					PROGRAMS IN BLACK ARE IN-PERSON	
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7 OPEN DISCUSSIONS	8 LUNCH & LEARN: STRENGTHEN YOUR IMMUNE SYSTEM	9 PARKINSONS SUPPORT ZOOM	10	:	11	
14 VALENTINE'S DINNER PICK-UP	15	16 REEL TALK FRENCH RIVIERA INFO MEETING	17		18 DEATH CAFÉ	
21 CLOSED PRESIDENT'S DAY	22	23	24	:	25 WINE TASTING	
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