

In Touch

Information & Inspiration from Y-ME Illinois
To ensure that no one faces breast cancer alone

Bringing Support, Education and Empowerment to Springfield

Word of Y-ME Illinois' presence in Springfield is getting out fast as our programs and services hit the ground! In a unique partnership with the Southern Illinois University School of Medicine and its innovative Breast Center, Y-ME Illinois is now offering support to breast cancer patients and survivors in the Springfield area via the



newly opened Y-ME Illinois Wig and Prosthesis Salon. Breast cancer patients can go directly from the

Breast Center patient rooms to our salon, where they receive, free of charge, wigs, hats, scarves, breast prostheses, and bras, as well as information about the other services offered by Y-ME Illinois. The salon had its grand opening celebration on April 5, 2006. The grand opening was attended by

First Lady Patti Blagojevich and included a spa night that offered complimentary massage therapy to patients along with free food, drinks and musical entertainment. The SIU Breast Center and Y-ME Illinois will move into a wonderful new space at the SimmonsCooper Cancer Institute in late 2007.

The Wig and Prosthesis Salon is just the latest of Y-ME Illinois services to be offered in Central Illinois. In Springfield and its surrounding area, there are two Open Door Support Groups, educational opportunities through the Springfield Urban League and advocacy programs at the State Legislature.

In order to spread the word about our ever expanding list of services, Y-ME Illinois had a booth at the 2006 Illinois State Fair as part of the First Lady of Illinois' tent, where the theme was women's health. This opportunity allowed us to reach out to the nearly one million visitors at the Fair.

Supporters to be Honored at 2006 Fashion Show & Luncheon

Every year, more than 2,000 men, women and children gather at the Y-ME Illinois Fashion Show & Luncheon to honor those who have been touched by breast cancer. This year, the event will provide breast cancer survivors the opportunity to pay tribute to the individuals that helped them in their battle against the disease.

Entries have been pouring in to the Y-ME Illinois office from breast cancer survivors who want to honor their friends, family members, physicians or counselors who have made the greatest difference in their lives as they weathered the road to recovery. A select number of these key supporters will accompany breast cancer survivors and members of the media on the

runway during the 2006 Y-ME Illinois Fashion Show & Luncheon themed "Circle of Help and Healing" and will be featured in the 2006 Fashion Show Video.

The Fashion Show has always been a celebration of survivorship and support, and because of this, we are thrilled to honor those Special Supporters in 2006. For more information about joining us at this year's Fashion Show & Luncheon visit www.y-me.org/illinois.



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From the Executive Director



For Y-ME Illinois, this past year has been one of many accomplishments, positive changes, and some challenges. As we continue to move forward, we maintain our focus on increasing our programs and services, as well as statewide expansion.

We are happy to report that Y-ME Illinois now has an office in Springfield which allows us to offer a Wig & Prosthesis Salon, a comprehensive resource library, two open door support groups in the Springfield area, educational workshops and advocacy efforts throughout the state. I'd like to extend a special thank you to Southern Illinois University Medical Center for helping provide us with the necessary tools to make this expansion in Springfield happen. We so value this long-term partnership and look forward to working together for many years to come. We are fortunate to welcome Lin Vautrain, coordinator of the SIU Breast Center, to our board of directors as well as Dr. Elizabeth Peralta, Assistant Professor at SIU School of Medicine who has joined our Medical Advisory Committee.

We're also delighted to welcome many new staff members to Y-ME Illinois. In the Chicago office we are joined by Jeanne Walton - Director of Development, Phoebe Harlan - Programs Coordinator, and Laura McDougal - Volunteer Coordinator. Susan Nightingale - Marketing and Develop-

ment Associate, Lisa Bobb - Programs Coordinator, and Pat Campbell - Outreach Assistant, are a welcome addition to our new Springfield office. We know with their hard work, dedication and enthusiasm, they will bring many successes to Y-ME Illinois. Thanks to a grant from the Susan G. Komen Foundation, we will soon hire an outreach coordinator for the Chicagoland area to focus on outreach in the African American Community.

The 2006 Y-ME Illinois Fashion Show & Luncheon promises to be every bit as exciting as the 25th Anniversary Show last year. Make sure you mark **October 28, 2006** on your calendar for this special event. We extend a special thank you to our three presenting Fashion Show & Luncheon sponsors in 2006 - La-Salle Bank, Walgreens, and North Shore Friends of Y-ME - who have been so generous in their support of Y-ME Illinois.

Our dedicated volunteers continue to be the heart and soul of Y-ME Illinois. Without them, we would not be able to provide the level of support we are so proud of. As Executive Director of Y-ME Illinois, I look forward to continuing to work with the Board of Directors, staff, volunteers, and our wonderful sponsors towards achieving our mission to ensure that no one faces breast cancer alone. Thank you all for your hard work, enthusiasm and mostly for your dedication and passion. For all those who rely on Y-ME Illinois to walk by their side during their breast cancer journey, your support is invaluable. Your contribution makes our world a better place.

Illinois Breast and Cervical Cancer Program Expanded

Y-ME recommends that women 40 or older get a mammogram every year. Yet, for women without health insurance, that's not easy. Fortunately, Governor Blagojevich recently announced an expansion of the Illinois Breast and Cervical Cancer Program (IBCCP) - the state's program that helps women get access to screening and treatment. The new plan expands the income threshold, enabling thousands more women to get free cancer screenings and treatment. Women who earn up to \$50,000/year in a family of four will now be eligible. And for women who get screened outside of IBCCP and find out they have cancer, the program has been expanded to ensure access to the treatment they need.

You can call the Women's Health-Line at (888) 522-1282 for more information.

Letter from the Board President



Hello friends, supporters, & volunteers! As the new President of the Y-ME Illinois Board of Directors, I want to personally thank you for all you do. My previous involvement with Y-ME Illinois has been as Treasurer, Board Member, and volunteer. When not volunteering at Y-ME, I spend time with my wife and two children and work as a certified public accountant.

This is an exciting time for our organization as we work to move our programs and services into local communities throughout the state of Illinois. We have begun this endeavor with the opening of our Springfield office and look forward to using this first expansion as a springboard to enhance our provision of services statewide because Y-ME Illinois aims to serve all of Illinois.

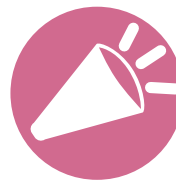
Finally, it is a pleasure to honor and thank Nancy Amicangelo for her tireless efforts and leadership for the past six years. Nancy, as past president, has made this organization a priority above all else. There are not words to adequately thank Nancy for all she has done and meant to Y-ME Illinois. We are fortunate in that she will continue as a board member and volunteer for us – we are happy to keep her around!

Y-ME Illinois appreciates your financial support as we count on these funds to continue to provide our wide array of programs and services free of charge. Don't forget - our Fashion Show & Luncheon is on October 28th. I look forward to seeing many of you there!

Thank you for your support,
Brian Murphy

Programs Update: Reaching Out to Empower and Educate!

Y-ME Illinois is thrilled to continue its partnership with Loyola's Cardinal Bernadine Cancer Center to present the 2nd annual Women and Cancer Survivorship Symposium which will take place on Wednesday, September 20 from 5 - 8 p.m. at the Hyatt, McDonald's Campus, in Oak Brook, IL. This free event for women cancer survivors will include presentations, demonstrations and interactive booths where women can find helpful information for themselves and loved ones in regards to treatment and post treatment living. Many organizations including the American Cancer Society, Gilda's Club Chicago, Wellness House, Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, and the National Ovarian Cancer Coalition are partnering with Y-ME Illinois to sponsor this evening of empowerment.



As we enter the fall season, Y-ME Illinois is looking forward to starting another busy school year with the Just for Teens Education Program. We also offer Adult Breast Health Workshops year round and hope to increase the number of people that we reach through these important educational programs. We encourage you to help us bring this educational programming to your own work environment or to a school in your community. By helping Y-ME Illinois connect to new workplaces and schools, you are helping us to reach out and educate people to ensure that no one faces breast cancer alone.

If you are interested in scheduling a Teen or Adult Education Program, please contact Phoebe Harlan, Program Coordinator at pharlan@y-me-illinois.org.

Y-ME IlliNOISY Advocacy Updates

Breast Cancer and Environmental Research Act Moves in the Senate

We are thrilled to report that the Breast Cancer and Environmental Research Act (S. 757) has passed out of the Senate HELP Committee by unanimous consent! This milestone is the result of many months of hard work by advocates around the country. When this newsletter went to print advocates were working to get the bill to the Senate floor for a vote. This is wonderful progress, but there is much to be done to get this bill enacted!

Advocacy in Action

There are so many opportunities to get involved in IlliNOISY Advocacy! Here are just a few...

- Become a DOD Consumer Reviewer and help decide how research dollars are spent

- Join the IlliNOISY Advocacy Network so you know when to take action on important issues
- Use your voice in the fight against breast cancer by joining us when we lobby our elected officials in DC and Springfield

Save the Date!

2007 NBCCF Annual Advocacy Training Conference April 28 – May 1, 2007

Don't miss the opportunity to use your voice in the fight against breast cancer! Scholarships are available. Find more information at www.stopbreastcancer.org.

For more information about the IlliNOISY Advocacy Program, contact Alicia at ahuguelet@y-me.org or (312) 364-9071.

Volunteer Spotlight

Kate Chandler



"Anyone who has taken on the rigors of preparing for and running a 26.2 mile marathon can vouch for the grit required to see it through. A 62-mile ultramarathon, on the other hand, is an entirely different animal..." wrote Gary Seymour, Herald-News writer. Kate Chandler's mother, Jackie, a champion runner, ran both of these a week apart in 1984. She completed dozens of marathons including the prestigious Boston Marathon.

When Kate was in 6th grade, her mom was diagnosed with breast cancer, and less than two short years later passed away. Throughout those years, the one thing her mom continued to pour her heart into was running. Neither the weather nor the chemotherapy could slow her down. She thought the sooner she got the chemo out of her system, by running and sweating, the sooner she would feel better. She always encouraged Kate to join her on her runs and even signed Kate up for cross-country and track in middle school.

Last year, while running the Chicago Half Marathon, Kate met a woman wearing a Pink Streak Singlet and asked her where she got it. The woman explained that she was running with the Y-ME Illinois Pink Streak Team. Right then and there, Kate knew she wanted to run the 2006 LaSalle Bank Chicago Marathon with Pink Steak in honor of her mom, Jackie Chandler. Kate has decided to take on this amazing challenge, knowing that her efforts will help to ensure that no one faces breast cancer alone and is a proud Pink Streak runner.

Kate has said that her mom is her inspiration, that she hopes to carry on her tradition, and every time Kate puts on her running shoes and with every step that she takes, she thinks back to all those mornings when she would join her mom on her runs. As Kate prepares to run The LaSalle Bank Chicago Marathon for Y-ME Illinois, she knows that her mom is running by her side.

Survivor Profile

Donna Crow

Donna Crow was diagnosed with breast cancer in 1999 when a lump was detected during an annual screening mammogram. She underwent surgery, chemotherapy, and radiation. After her treatment was complete, Donna dedicated herself to helping other women and has been a leader in the fight against breast cancer ever since.

Donna first connected with Y-ME at the NBCCF Annual Advocacy Training Conference in Washington, DC where she met up with "that crazy IlliNOISY bunch." She caught the advocacy bug at the conference and has been a leading activist in Illinois ever since. Donna has tirelessly worked with her elected officials on issues relating to breast cancer, helped

Calling all Volunteers!

Y-ME Illinois is proud of the many programs and services we provide to countless individuals and their families. However, it would be impossible to provide this tremendous programming without the help of our wonderful volunteers and Y-ME Illinois needs your valuable skills and time to help us meet our mission to ensure that no one faces breast cancer alone.

Visit us at www.y-me.org/illinois to fill out a volunteer application and help Y-ME Illinois support those whose lives have been affected by breast cancer. With a wide array of volunteer opportunities available everyone can find a niche where your skills can be best utilized. Here are some examples of how you can get involved!

- Join our team of educators that staff health fairs and provide adult and teen education programming
- Use your experiences as a survivor to support other women by becoming an Open Door Support Group facilitator
- Assist with A Day for You which brings mammography screening and breast health education to medically underserved communities
- Help out at Special Events, such as the Y-ME Illinois Fashion Show and Luncheon (coming up on October 28th!)
- Become more informed about issues facing those battling breast cancer by joining our IlliNOISY Advocacy Network and then let your elected officials know where you stand.
- Help us keep our records and mailings in order by assisting with office work.

There's no time like the present to join our team of talented, enthusiastic volunteers as we work together to support, educate, and empower all those concerned with breast cancer!

to recruit new advocates in southern Illinois, and has served as a Team Leader during our Lobby Day visits in DC for the last several years. Additionally, Donna has used her time and talents to found a support group – Women With Hope – at Memorial Hospital of Carbondale and has been a Reach to Recovery volunteer for the American Cancer Society.



Donna is a Registered Nurse and recently accepted a position as the Avon Breast Health Patient Navigator at St. Joseph Memorial Hospital, and said it was "a dream come true" to be able to focus her professional life on helping women and their families through the journey of breast cancer. In the little free time she has, Donna loves spending time with her husband, three sons, and two adorable granddaughters. Donna is truly an inspiration to all those who meet her.

Y-ME Illinois Proudly Introduces... The Evermore Society

We are very proud of the many accomplishments achieved by Y-ME Illinois since its inception in 2000. It is because of you, our generous supporters that the mission of Y-ME continues to thrive. Please accept our sincere thanks for your many years of generosity and dedication.



In thanks and recognition each founder will receive a limited edition Lenox crystal bowl signifying their leadership.

Today there are efforts happening around the globe to solve the mystery of breast cancer. Yet, as this work continues there is clearly a need to assist those who are facing a breast cancer diagnosis today and cannot wait for tomorrow's cure. As a result of this unfortunate reality, we are compelled to plan for the sustainability of Y-ME Illinois for future generations of women and families who may be confronted with breast cancer. In honor of our organizational mission we are distinctly proud to introduce The Evermore Society.

This donor society will represent a special group of friends and supporters who make a philanthropic commitment to Y-ME Illinois with a legacy gift. The first 10 donors to make a legacy gift will be recognized, in perpetuity, as the founders of The Evermore Society. In thanks and recognition each founder will receive a limited edition Lenox crystal bowl signifying their leadership. This beautiful piece will bear a faint tint of pink, a color associated with their gift of hope and everlasting dedication to the breast cancer cause. All planned gift donors will be invited to have their name appear on The Evermore Society plaque located at the Y-ME Illinois main office.

One method of making a legacy gift is through a bequest. This is a very simple and meaningful way to honor a lifetime with a donation of everlasting significance. If you are pre-

paring to draft your will or would like to consider an amendment to enact a gift for Y-ME Illinois please visit www.y-me.org/illinois or call (312) 364-9071 for more information.

We look forward to having you join us as we work, evermore, to ensure that no one faces breast cancer alone.

Y-ME Illinois Associate Board

The Y-ME Illinois Associate Board invites you to join our wonderful group of dedicated volunteers and motivated supporters. Associate Board members participate in service projects that directly impact patients and raise funds to support the free programs and services offered by Y-ME Illinois.



Y-ME ILLINOIS ASSOCIATE BOARD

We have a number of fun and exciting events coming up and would love for you to join us! For more information about the Y-ME Illinois Associate Board and to learn when our next meeting or event will be held, please contact Ciara at cmcgrath@y-me.org.

Greetings from North Shore Friends of Y-ME

Our Membership Dinner on August 8 was a great success and we were happy to see faces both new and old. All who attended enjoyed the comedy of Caryn Bark. We look forward to seeing our many new members at upcoming meetings and events.

The Annual Card Party will be held at Twin Orchard Country Club on September 20. It will be as exciting as ever with a wonderful breakfast and lunch, a boutique available for shopping, and a chance to win a special raffle prize.

For more information about North Shore Friends membership and events, contact Sharon Romanek at 847-729-5636.

Calendar of Events

September 20, 2006

Women and Cancer Survivorship: An Evening Symposium Presented in conjunction with Loyola's Cardinal Bernadine Cancer Center, Oak Brook, IL

September 26, 2006

Streak Chicago Pink Y-ME Illinois Associate Board

honors the 2006 Pink Streak Team



October 22, 2006

LaSalle Bank Chicago Marathon Cheer on the 2006 Pink Streak Team as they run 26.2 miles to ensure that no one faces breast cancer alone!

October 28, 2006

26th Annual Y-ME Illinois Fashion Show & Luncheon Chicago Hilton & Towers 720 S. Michigan Ave.

December 8-10, 2006

One of a Kind Show & Sale Merchandise Mart - Chicago Dec. 8 is Y-ME Illinois Day

April 28 - May 1, 2007

NBCCF Annual Advocacy Training Conference Washington, DC

Questions? Call our office at 312-364-9071.

Genetic Testing: Things to Consider

Breast cancer survivors often consider genetic testing to help establish hereditary cancer risk for their loved ones. Yet, many are concerned about possible risks of genetic testing. Individuals must assess the benefits and risks of genetic testing; knowing that genetic privacy is partially protected by national and state laws but there are loopholes in these existing protections. Meeting with a genetic counselor to learn about hereditary cancer and its medical impact for you and your relatives is a good first step when considering testing and is essentially risk-free. Be sure to ask the genetic counselor what control you will have over the flow of information and who can view your records.

Most breast cancer is not caused by known hereditary factors but women who do carry BRCA1 or BRCA2 mutations may need heightened breast cancer screening such as

If your personal and family history fits a hereditary pattern, you may be a better candidate for genetic testing as a survivor than your unaffected relatives.

MRI, and should learn about chemoprevention and surgical prevention. Mutation carriers who have completed child-bearing are generally recommended to have preventive ovarian surgery, since there are no reliable screening methods or early warning signs for ovarian cancer. Relatives who test negative for a known familial mutation are reassured and know they cannot pass on the tendency to their children. If your personal and family history fits a hereditary pattern, you may be a better candidate for genetic testing as a survivor than your unaffected relatives. The potential risks of genetic testing are thought to be smaller for people who have already had cancer because discrimination is more likely to occur on the basis of actual disease (e.g. breast cancer) than on the basis of disease predisposition (e.g. a positive gene test).

To date thousands of individuals in the U.S. have had gene testing for hereditary cancer. Henry T. Greely, JD, writing for the New England Journal of Medicine, found few examples of genetic discrimination for predisposition to disease, and no evidence that it is common. National genetic legislation is in place via the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA), the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act, and Executive Order 13145 which protects federal employees. HIPAA protects people in large group plans from being dropped from coverage, or having their individual rates raised based on genetic test results. Note that HIPAA does not prohibit the use of genetic information as a basis for increasing the rate of group coverage; nor does it limit the collection of genetic information, requiring an individual to take a genetic test, or the disclosure

of genetic information by insurers. HIPAA does prevent coverage from being determined on the basis of a person's health and from considering genetic risks as preexisting conditions, except by small group plans and the smallest businesses. This leaves people who purchase their own underwritten coverage, or have coverage from very small employers, at risk. However, these groups can be protected by state laws.

Illinois has genetic privacy laws and state law prohibits health insurers and managed care plans from seeking genetic test results or using those results for non-therapeutic purposes, even if insurers provided coverage for the genetic testing. Illinois law also prohibits genetic discrimination in hiring, firing, and/or terms, conditions or privileges of employment. However, there are some gaps in Illinois law in regards to employment protections. To view detailed policy and legislation on genetic discrimination, visit www.genome.gov/PolicyEthics/ and follow links to the policy database.

Fear of genetic discrimination can prevent people from seeking potentially lifesaving genetic information which could be important for themselves and their relatives. Current legal protections are comprised of a complicated web of federal and state laws, most of which have never been tested in the courts. Additionally, no states in this region prohibit the use of genetic information for life, disability, or long-term care insurance. The U.S. Senate passed the "Genetic Information Non-Discrimination Act of 2005" (S.306), by a vote of 98-0 in February 2005 but its companion bill, H.R. 1227, has not yet been acted upon. Broad federal legislation regarding genetic discrimination would help erase any doubts left by the patchwork of existing laws and now is the time to register your opinion with your U.S. Representatives.

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Open Door Support Groups

Persons concerned about breast cancer or related topics are welcome. Sessions are free of charge and reservations are not necessary unless noted. Individuals wishing to observe a group must have the approval of the group facilitator and group attendees prior to the meeting.



NEW and IMPROVED 20s AND 30s GROUP

2nd Tuesday of the Month, 6pm – 7:30pm
Gilda's Club Chicago, 537 N. Wells, Chicago, IL

AURORA RUSH COPLEY GROUP

3rd Tuesday of the Month, 6:30-8:30pm
Rush Copley Cancer Center, Women's Health Dept. Conf. Room, 2000 Ogden, Aurora, IL

BARRINGTON GROUP "A TIME TO HEAL"

3rd Thursday of the Month, 7:30-9:00 p.m.
Good Shepherd Hospital, 450 W. Highway 22, Lakeview Room, Barrington

BARRINGTON/NW LYMPHEDEMA SUPPORT GROUP

Meets Quarterly, 1st Sat. (Feb/May/Aug/Nov) 9:30-11:00 a.m.
Good Shepherd Hospital, 450 W. Highway 22, Lakeview Room, Barrington

DOWNTOWN GROUP: 2nd Tuesday of the Month, 5:30-7:00 p.m.

1 West Superior (Dearborn and Superior), 7th Floor, Chicago, IL
Free Parking in Whole Foods garage on Dearborn between Huron & Superior

"FRIENDS FOR LIFE" GROUP: last Friday of the Month, 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Union Health, 1634 W. Polk Street, Chicago, IL

HAWLEY SUPPORT GROUP **NEW**

3rd Wednesday of the Month, 6:30 p.m.
Manners Park Office, Pleasure Parkway, Taylorville, IL

ILLINOIS VALLEY "REBOUND" GROUP

3rd Monday of the Month, 7:00 p.m.
St. Margaret's Hospital, 600 E. First Street, 4th Floor Conference Room, Spring Valley

LITTLE COMPANY GROUP: 1st Tuesday of the Month, 7:00 p.m.

Little Company of Mary Hospital, 2800 W. 95th Street, Cancer Center, Meeting Room 1-M, Evergreen Park.

LOOP GROUP

Meets Bi-monthly, 2nd Sat. (Jan/Mar/May/July/Sep/Nov), 10:00 a.m.
Feinberg Pavilion, 251E. Huron, 2nd Floor, Conf. Room 2-716, Chicago, IL
Discount Parking at Huron, St. Clair, & Superior Garage

LOYOLA BREAST CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

3rd Thursday of the Month, 6:00-7:00 p.m.
Cardinal Bernardin Cancer Center, Loyola Medical Center, 2160 S. 1st Ave., Auditorium-2nd Floor, Maywood

MCHENRY COUNTY GROUP: 1st Tuesday of the Month, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Centegra-Northern Illinois Medical Center, 4201 Medical Center Dr., Private Dining Room (East), McHenry

NW INDIANA GROUP: 2nd Saturday of the Month, 10:00 a.m.

Community Hospital, 901 MacArthur Blvd., Doctors' Meeting Room, Lower Level, Munster, IN

PORTER COUNTY GROUP: 1st Saturday of the Month, 10:00 a.m.

Education and Rehabilitation Center of Porter Hospital, 1401 Calumet Ave., Room C, Valparaiso, IN

PROVENA ST. JOESPH GROUP

2nd Tuesday of the Month, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Provena St. Joseph Medical Center, Cancer Care Center Conference Room, 333 Madison, Joliet

SOUTH CHICAGO AREA GROUP "CELEBRATING LIFE"

1st Saturday of the Month, 10:00 a.m.–12:00 Noon
Trinity Hospital, 2320 East 93rd Street, Chicago

ST. JOHN'S IN SPRINGFIELD OPEN DOOR GROUP

Last Wednesday of the Month, 5:00-6:30 p.m.
Carol Jo Vecchie Women and Children's Center, Conference Room S, St. John's Hospital, 800 E. Carpenter St., Springfield

TINLEY PARK OPEN DOOR GROUP: 2nd Tuesday of the Month, 7:00 p.m.

Ingalls Facility, 6701 W. 159th St., Lower Level, Tinley Park

"WE'RE MOVING ON" SUPPORT GROUP

1st Tuesday of the Month, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
West Suburban Hospital, Center for Breast Care, 420 William St., Suite 1000, 1st Floor, River Forest

WOODFIELD GROUP: 4th Thursday of the Month, 7:15-9:00 p.m.

New Schaumburg Library, 130 S. Roselle Road, Conf. Room, Schaumburg

PARTNERS IN SURVIVING (formerly WOODLAWN GROUP)

3rd Saturday of the Month, 10:30 a.m. * Free Parking*****
University of Chicago, DCAM, 5758 S. Maryland, 1st Floor, Room 1402, Chicago

Grupos de Apoyo en Español

NORWEGIAN AMERICAN HOSPITAL GROUP

3rd Viernes Del Mes, 10:00 a.m. - 12 Noon
Para personas con cáncer de mama que hablan Español, sobrevivientes, y sus familiares. Para información llame 312.364.9071.
Norwegian American Hospital, 1044 N. Mozart Ave., Chicago

YWCA: 2nd Sábado Del Mes, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Para personas con cáncer de mama que hablan Español, sobrevivientes, y sus familiares.
YWCA of Lake County, 2133 Belvidere Road, Waukegan, IL, para más información llamar a Darlene Montano 847.662.4247.

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