



# Community Newsletter

May 2014

[www.cofh.org](http://www.cofh.org)

News from the City of Fairview Heights

April 10, 2014



## Miracle League Field Dedication

### Contact the City

**General Information:**

618.489.2000

**City Hall Office Hours:**

8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Mon - Fri

**Feedback:**

Please call the Mayor's Office at 618.489.2010.

### City Hall Closed:

**May 26th**

Memorial Day

**July 4th**

Independence Day

## Burning Season

Burning Season is now over and will resume November 1st. If you would like to have a bonfire, please visit the Mayor's Office to fill out a bonfire permit. The permit must be approved by the Mayor. There is no fee for the permit. Please call (618) 489-2010 with questions.

## Summer Programs

Another school year will be over soon! The Fairview Heights Parks & Recreation offers many programs and events for children throughout the summer. Please visit [www.cofh.org](http://www.cofh.org) or call (618) 489-2040 for information on programs and special events.

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**Important Phone Numbers**

City Clerk .....	618-489-2000
Mayor's Office.....	618-489-2010
Administration.....	618-489-2030
Police Department.....	618-489-2100
Land Use & Development.....	618-489-2060
Public Works.....	618-489-2020
Parks & Recreation.....	618-489-2040
Finance .....	618-489-2050
Library.....	618-489-2070

**City Officials**

**Mayor**

Gail D. Mitchell

**Aldermen**

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**City Clerk**

Mark Kupsky 489-2000

**Treasurer**

Michele Isaacson 489-2050

**Municipal Facilities**

**City Hall**

10025 Bunkum Road

**Hours**

Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Police Department - Chief Nick Gailius**

10027 Bunkum Road

**Library**

10017 Bunkum Road

**Fire Department - Chief Bryan Doyle**

**Fire House I**

10045 Bunkum Road 618-394-8484

**Fire House II**

214 Ashland Avenue 618-233-2121

**Senior Center**

618-489-2010

# New Businesses

## Welcome to Fairview Heights!

**Sears Outlet**

55 Ludwig

**HSHS Medical Group**

5 Ludwig drive

**Eagle Lake Distributing**

141 Marketplace, Ste. 150

**Priced Less Thrift & Snack**

10227 Lincoln Trl, Ste. 5

**Four Seasons Spa**

10230 Lincoln Trl

**Halo Salon**

5140 N. Illinois

**Express Employment Professionals**

314-E Fountains Pkwy

**State Farm Insurance**

10005 Lincoln Trl

**Smoke Clean**

5300 N. Illinois, Ste 108

**New to St. Clair Square Mall - Case 4 Cell**

The St. Louis Dugout

Opening a new business? Please contact the Land Use and Development Department for information on inspections and permits.

Land Use Department: (618) 489-2060

**Update**

• Due to the harsh winter weather, **Fresh Thyme**

**Farmer's Market** will be opening spring 2015.

• **Here Today...** will be moving into the old Office Depot building. Check out their website for information about this great new store! Opening July 7th!

[www.heretodaystores.com](http://www.heretodaystores.com)



# Happenings in Fairview Heights

## Re-grand opening & new location!

March 17, 2014

Watson's Office City has moved to 10400 Lincoln Trail, Fairview Heights, IL 62208. Watson's is the place to get your office supplies, furniture, computer supplies, etc.



Call (618) 398-4056 or visit [www.WatsonsOfficeCity.com](http://www.WatsonsOfficeCity.com)

## Watson's Office City



Pictured are Lou Lenz and John Armour with City Officials and Chamber of Commerce members.

Happenings continued on Page 10

# Municipal Calendar

*Subject to change.  
Verify at [www.cofh.org](http://www.cofh.org)*

## June 2014

## July 2014

SUN	MO	TUE	WE	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MO	TUE	WE	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3 City Council 7:30	4	5	6	7			1 City Council 7:30	2	3	4 CITY OFFICES CLOSED	5
8	9	10 Planning Commission 7:00	11	12	13	14	6	7	8 Planning Commission 7:00	9	10	11	12
15	16	17 City Council 7:30	18	19	20	21	13	14	15 City Council 7:30	16	17	18	19
22	23	24 EDC 1:30	25	26 TIF 7:00	27	28	20	21	22 EDC 1:30	23	24 TIF 7:00	25	26
29	30						27	28	29	30	31		

# Special Olympics Illinois Golf Classic



It is with sincere pleasure that we invite you to participate in the **Special Olympics Illinois Golf Classic** to benefit **Southwestern Area 12**.

We encourage you to be a part of this event and join the network of corporations and individuals who contribute to the success of over **1,170 athletes**.

Your participation will enable **Special Olympics Illinois** to continue growth, awareness and sustainability. Special Olympics is committed to providing athletes with opportunities to gain strength, courage and self esteem through their participation in competition.

**Friday, May 30, 2014**  
**Oak Brook Golf Course**  
 9157 Fruit Road, Edwardsville, IL  
**Noon Shotgun Start**  
**4 Person Scramble**  
 \$85 per player / \$340 team  
 (Register as an Individual or as a Team!)

**Fees Include:**  
 Golf, Cart, Lunch  
 Food & Prizes following event  
**Registration at 11:00!**  
**Questions? Please call Lt. John Proffitt**  
**at the Fairview Heights Police**  
**Department at (618) 489-2100.**



## Beautification Commission

**Clean - up**  
**Fairview Heights!**

The Beautification Commission has scheduled clean-up days every third Saturday of the month. The group meets behind Walgreens at 8:00 a.m. and typically picks up litter till 10:00 a.m. Orange vest and trash bags are provided. Anyone can volunteer to pick up litter any third Saturday of the month. Upcoming clean-up days are May 17th and June 21st!

If would like additional information or have any questions please call (618) 489-2040 between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.



## Recreation Room Grand Opening

*Grand*  
**OPENING**

*Join the Parks & Recreation Department for a grand opening celebration of the Recreation Multi-purpose Room!*

**Friday, May 30, 2014 ♦ 4 pm - 7 pm**

This room will be the new location for all indoor recreation activities unless otherwise stated. It is furnished with round linen-less tables and seating for 120 people. Perfect for any event! The room will be available for rent starting Monday, June 1, 2014 to Fairview Heights residents for a \$150 fee. Please call (618) 489-2040 if you have any questions!

- See the room and all its amenities
- Meet the staff
- Enjoy some free snacks and drinks

*Additional details will be posted on our Facebook page, so like Fairview Heights Parks and Recreation today!*



# Safety Town

*Brought to you by the Fairview Heights Parks & Recreation Department  
along with the Fairview Heights Police Department*

## Program Information

Children ages 5-7 get signed up for Safety Town which teaches lifesaving lessons through stranger, traffic, fire, pedestrian, gun, poison, drug, playground, bus, booster and bicycle safety. It's a lot of information relayed through various demonstrations, games, activity sheets and much more. Also, what would Safety Town be without the Town? The child-sized town includes traffic lights, miniature street signs, crosswalks, etc. Students will be both pedestrians and motorists using pedal cars (with seat belts, of course)! These tools help instructors use a hands-on approach.

**June 16th - June 20th**  
**Illini Elementary**  
**9:00 a.m. - Noon**  
**\$ 35.00**



## To Register a Child, Volunteer or Sponsor

Beginning April 1st, registration forms, volunteer applications and sponsorship forms will be available in the Fairview Parks and Recreation office or download via the FHPR website: [www.cofh.org](http://www.cofh.org). Complete the form (if registering a child don't forget the shirt size and head measurement). Registration can be submitted to the Fairview Parks & Recreation Office.

### Registration includes:

- Safety Town T-shirt
- Fitted Helmet
- Take home safety materials
- Graduation Certificate



**MOVIE**  
**in the PARK**  
**MOODY PARK**

**Friday, August 1, 2014**

Immediately following the  
Ice Cream Social  
Movie begins @ dusk

Rated PG • 1 hr. 40 min

Please call the Parks & Recreation  
Department at (618) 489-2040 with  
any questions!

Let's enjoy that Ice Cream until it's gone. Stay for a FREE MOVIE IN THE PARK at the Moody Park baseball field. Bring your blankets and lawn chairs for a free family movie night under the stars! The Parks and Recreation will be selling concessions.

In case of inclement weather, please call the Parks and Recreation cancellation line at 489-2040 opt. 4.

# Fishing Rodeo

Arrive Early!



August 30, 2014  
Moody Park  
\$5.00 / Ages 5-13  
Food, Fun, & Prizes!

Sponsored by Elks Lodge #664



## ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Friday, August 1, 2014

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

At Moody Park

Cool down with the FH Fire Dept from  
6:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Fairview Heights Residents Only

◆ FREE ◆

Fairview Heights Parks & Recreation

## Employee Fitness Day

Employee  
Fitness  
Day

Get fit  
Get healthy  
Get moving



May 21st

We want to see you this year, please join the Parks and Recreation Department for the 2014 EMPLOYEE FITNESS DAY. Save the date of Wednesday, MAY 21, 2014.

This event is open to any employee who wishes to come out to Everett Moody Park at Longacre on May 21<sup>st</sup> and walk or run 1 lap around the fitness trail. Participants are welcome to begin at Everett Moody Park between 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. REMEMBER: ONLY THOSE EMPLOYEES WHO ACTUALLY COME OUT ON MAY 21<sup>st</sup> AND WALK or RUN WILL RECEIVE A SHIRT. PLEASE REMEMBER THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS.

To sign up and to ensure the correct shirt size please complete the release form on back and circle your shirt size below. Please RSVP by Friday, May 2nd. Those attending may pick up their shirts in the Parks and Recreation office on May 20, 2014.

AS AM AL AXL 2XL 3XL

Name: \_\_\_\_\_



Please call the Parks & Recreation for more information!

## Senior Lunch Bunch

Cost is \$6.00 per person.

Join us on the first Thursday of the month in the Fairview Heights Senior Center for an afternoon filled with food, friends, and fun! After lunch, you can sit back and enjoy the all time favorite game of bingo. There are no phone reservations. To register, you must fill out a registration form and mail it or bring it to our office with payment.

All lunches will begin at 11 a.m.

REGISTRATION IS LIMITED!

June - BBQ Pork Sandwiches

July - Pasta

BINGO!

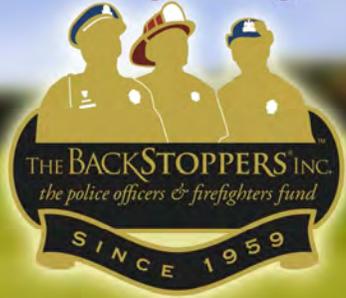


Questions?  
Please call  
(618) 489-2040

# Golf Scramble

## 7TH ANNUAL FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE LODGE 4-PERSON GOLF SCRAMBLE

Benefiting



\*Beer, soft drinks & water provided

\*Dogs and burgers at the turn & dinner following the tourney

\* Long Drive & Closest to the Pin Prizes

\* 3 Fights, 3 places paid/fight-Based on full field of 36 teams

\*Mulligans & Skins Game Available

\$80 per person

Friday, June 13th 2014  
10:00am shotgun start  
Arlington Greens  
Collinsville, IL

Please mail entry to:  
Fairview Hts F.O.P. Lodge #217  
P.O. Box 4226  
Fairview Heights, IL 62208  
ANY QUESTIONS, CONTACT (618) 489-2136

Team Captain: \_\_\_\_\_ Player #3: \_\_\_\_\_  
Player #2: \_\_\_\_\_ Player #4: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

# Easter Egg Hunt



# Grant Middle School Field Trip



Pictured are 6th graders from Mrs. Mueller's class & Mayor Gail D. Mitchell.

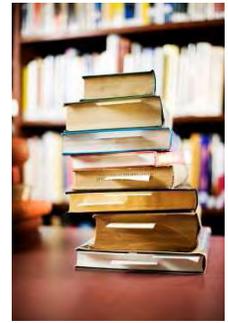
Sixth graders from Mrs. Mueller's class at Grant Middle School visited City Hall on April 10th to meet and ask the Mayor questions. They visited the Fairview Heights Police Department and the Fairview Heights Fire Department as well.



# Fairview Heights Public Library



10017 Bunkum Road  
Fairview Heights, IL 62208  
(618) 489-2070



**Hours:**  
**Monday-Thursday 10-8**  
**Friday-Saturday 10-5**  
**Closed Sundays**

Provide free services to all residents living within the city boundaries (2 IDs required to get a card).  
Services available to non-residents for an annual fee.  
For more information please visit [www.fairviewheightslibrary.org](http://www.fairviewheightslibrary.org)

## Events at the Library

<b>Teen &amp; Summer Reading Club</b> Register at the Library. Join us for a great summer of programs & prizes!	<b>May 31st - July 26th</b>
<b>Confused about Common Core in your child's classroom?</b> An informational meeting hosted by the library with guest speakers from Districts 105 & 110.	<b>May 15th 6:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Genealogy for Beginners</b> The St. Clair County Historical Society presents a free lecture on helping you trace your roots.	<b>May 17th 10:00 a.m.</b>
<b>Friends of the Library Book Sale</b> Lower level of the Library	<b>May 8th - 10th</b>
<b>Read to the dogs</b> Have your child read to a therapy dogs. Sign-up required.	<b>May 8th 6:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Wellness for older adults</b> Presented by Area Agency on Aging Speaker-Katie Richards, Wellness Coordinator at Senior Services Plus, Inc.	<b>May 14th 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.</b>

### Friends of the Library Book Sale

The Friends of the Library usually operates two comprehensive book sales every year, but this year there will only be one book sale so don't miss out!

**May 8, 9, & 10, 2014**

Lower level of the Library

### Read to the Dogs

Improve your reading skills and make a new friend by reading aloud to a therapy dog. Readers K-5th grade can sign up for a 15-minute time slot starting at 6:30 p.m.



**May 8, 2014**

# Growing Scholars Educational Center

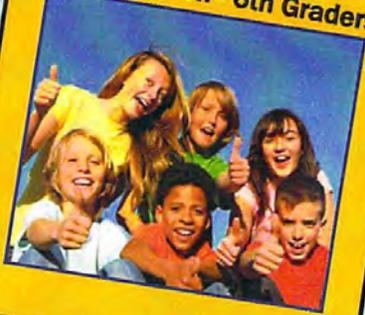
**Enroll Now !**

## Summer Day Camp 2014



**SUMMER DAY CAMP OPERATES:**  
**May 27 - August 1, 2014**  
**Monday - Friday, 9am - 4pm**  
*\* Before & After Care Available \**

**Kindergarten - 6th Graders**



OUR CAMP	OTHER CAMPS
DAILY INDIVIDUALIZED TUTORING 1 Hour of Reading & 1 Hour of Math	Don't provide instruction
Safe AIR-CONDITIONED Fun Environment	No place to escape heat
Upbeat qualified staff	Mainly inexperienced children
A variety of weekly water activities	Same location every week
Sports, Games & Teambuilding, Arts & Crafts, Science Experiments, Engineering Clubs & Cooking Classes, Talent Show, and more!	Limited enrichment activities
3 Field Trips a Week (Included in cost)	1 field trip a week
Fun Exploratory Weekly Themes	Same themes each summer

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION!

Overcome summer achievement loss and **BRAIN DRAIN!**

Our camp provides engaging, academic enrichment & exciting activities that will have your child begging to stay at the end of camp!



**JAM PACKED WITH FUN:**  
*Teambuilding, Camp Songs/Chants, Water Fun, Arts & Crafts, Sports & Recreational, Yummy Kid-Friendly Cooking Classes, Science Experiments, Reader's Theatre, and much, much more!*

SUMMER CAMP PHOTOS ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE!

FOR MORE INFO & TO REGISTER: <http://tinyurl.com/o6w8kv3> Sign up before March 31st to receive **1/2 OFF** registration



## Growing Scholars Educational Center

**Address:** 6322 Old Collinsville Road, Fairview Heights, IL 62208

**Telephone:** 618 - 628 - GROW (4769)

**NEW Website:** [www.GrowingScholarsCenter.com](http://www.GrowingScholarsCenter.com)

**SUMMER VIDEO:** [www.tinyurl.com/nryngJ5](http://www.tinyurl.com/nryngJ5)

WE WERE FEATURED ON KSDK, CHANNEL 5 on "Show Me St. Louis" - see us featured on their site or our Facebook!

## Upcoming Special Events in Fairview Heights

If you like to add a special event to the list in the next newsletter, please call 489-2010.

### ADA Picnic

Saturday, May 17th  
 10 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
 Moody Park  
 Information, please call (618) 489-2010

### Heritage Day

Saturday, May 31st  
 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
 Pleasant Ridge Park  
 Plant Sale & demonstrations celebrating the roots of Fairview Heights

### Fairview Heights Homecoming

August 8th & 9th  
 Friday 6 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.  
 Saturday 1 p.m. - 11:30 p.m., Parade at 5 p.m.  
 Parade participants, vendors, & crafters please call 397-4428.

### Midwest Salute to the Arts

August 22nd - 24th  
 Friday 6 p.m. - 10 p.m.  
 Saturday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
 Sunday 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

### Elk's Fishing Rodeo

Saturday, August 30th  
 8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.  
 Moody Park, Ages 5-13  
 \$5.00 - please call 489-2010 for more information.

### Midwest Wingfest

Friday, August 29th, 5 pm - 11 pm  
 Saturday, August 30th, 12 pm - 11 pm  
 East parking lot of Dillard's in the St. Clair Square Mall - [www.midwestwingfest.com](http://www.midwestwingfest.com)

## New playground

This is your opportunity to have a lasting impression in the new playground at Moody Park. The Parks and Recreation Department is offering donation opportunities for several items located in our new playground.

- Help beautify the playground by recognizing your business, family, organization
- or special event. The Parks and Recreation Department will install a recognition plaque on each item donated. For more information on playground and recreation donations, please call (618) 489-2040.

## coming to Moody Park!

# Happenings in Fairview Heights *Continued*



## HSHS Medical Group



## Sears Outlet

## Miracle League Field Dedication

The Miracle League Field Dedication was held at Everett Moody Park at Longacre on April 10, 2014. This event was attended by Brenda Wagner, President, City Officials, Fred Bird, Belleville East Lancer Cheerleaders, volunteers, and many families. This field will give everyone a chance to play ball. Currently, the Miracle League plays kickball, basketball, and goes bowling throughout the year. Baseball started in April! Everyone is so excited to see the first field done!

Please visit [www.miracleleagueplaysball.com](http://www.miracleleagueplaysball.com) for schedule of events!



*"Every child deserves a chance to play ball!"*



Pictures provided by  
NHN Photography

## Yard Sales:

Information provided by the Land Use & Development Department.  
Questions? Please call  
(618) 489-2060.

Residents may have up to 3 yard sales per calendar year & those sales must be at least 30 days apart. A Permit is required for the sale & must be obtained in advance. In the event of inclement weather, all permits will remain active and an alternate date will not be made available.

Prohibited from such merchandise to be sold at yard sales shall be alcoholic beverages, firearms, firearm ammunition, materials determined by the City Code as obscene, animals, or any other merchandise of which sale without proper licensing or authorization from state or local authorities is unlawful.

Neighborhood/Group Yard Sales must contact the Land Use Dept for specific regulations in advance of sale. Regulations include, but are not limited to, a contact person responsible for the sale, list of all participating residents including names, addresses, phone numbers and signature. One Permit will be issued for all listed participants of the neighborhood/group sale.

## Property Maintenance Guide:

The City of Fairview Heights offers a Property Maintenance Inspection Guide to assist property owners, buyers, realtors and property managers in understanding the specifics of the inspection program. The guide is available on the website or by visiting the Land Use Department. A Property Maintenance Inspection must be completed, and an Occupancy Permit secured, prior to changes (or additions) to occupancy.

## Swimming Pools:

All swimming pools exceeding 24" in water depth must obtain a Building Permit prior to installation of pool. All setback requirements must be met and maintained.

## Animals:

Please know that City Code states it is unlawful for the owner of any dog or other animal not to immediately remove excrement deposited by such animal upon any public or private property. Additionally, no excessive accumulation of animal excrement that excretes an odor shall be permitted on any public or private property and can be considered a public nuisance as set forth in the City Code.

## **Trips for Seniors**

### **Fabulous Fox & Cathedral**

**Thursday, July 24, 2014**  
**PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

We got to see two incredible shows last year, but wouldn't you like to see more than those last eight rows of seats we were in? Join us as we tour the Fabulous Fox and see why it was justifiably billed as "St. Louis' largest and magnificent temple of amusement." After the tour we will enjoy a pleasant lunch at the Fox followed by a guided tour of the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis. The bus will leave the rear Library parking lot at 10:00 a.m. and return approximately 4:00 p.m. Transportation will be on a motorcoach. These are walking tours so please wear comfortable shoes. Cost includes transportation, tours, and lunch.

**Cost \$45**

(\$35 is due at registration, \$10 is due on the day of the trip)

## **Bulk Trash Pick-up**

Next bulk trash pick-up day is

**Monday, July 7, 2014**

The City will pick up the first Monday of March, July, and November. Residents must register at least the Friday before to be put on the pick-up list by calling (618) 489-2000. Please visit the City's website to see a list of items that they will and will not pick up. The City website is [www.cofh.org](http://www.cofh.org).



**Don't Miss**

# Welcome New Employees



**Jason Stroehlein,  
Parks Supervisor**

Jason was raised in Cobden, IL which is 20 miles south of Carbondale. He has a Bachelor degree from SIUC in Plant and Soil Science with a specialization in Turfgrass Management. His professional career, up until taking the Park Supervisor position here, was as a Golf Course Superintendent at private mountain resorts in Colorado. He spent 14 years there and was involved in the construction and maintenance of 3 high end clubs. His last stop was a 7 year period in Montrose, Colorado, which is near Telluride, where he was involved in the construction of a Greg Norman Designed course called the Cornerstone Club. His return to Southern Illinois was motivated by his desire to return to his wife, (Valerie) and children (Brayden and Avery), closer to their family here. They are very excited to be back in Southern Illinois and a part of the City of Fairview Heights. He hopes with his background he can make a positive impact on our park system with a level of detailed maintenance that all residents of the city can appreciate and enjoy.



**Ken Halbert,  
Networks Systems Analyst**

As a military member, Ken Halbert moved from Albuquerque, NM to Scott AFB in 1989. In 1995 when Ken left the military he moved to Fox Creek in Fairview Heights. Ken works in Information Technology and has been employed at Cybertel Cellular, Ameritech Cellular, Beelman Truck Company, and most recently at Cahokia School District 187. In his free time Ken likes to play around with computers (of course) and taking motorcycle rides on winding country roads.

## Snacks & Facts Zone

### The next event is:

**Date:** May 14, 2014  
**Time:** 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
**Topic:** Wellness for Older Adults  
**Speaker:** Katie Richards,  
Wellness Coordinator at  
Senior Services Plus, Inc.  
  
**Location:** Fairview Heights Library  
(10017 Bunkum Road)

Questions? Please call the Library at  
(618) 489-2070.

### Future topics of discussion are:

June 11th..... Home and Community Based Services To Help  
You Stay At Home  
July 9th..... Elder Law, Are Your Legal Documents In  
Order?  
Aug 13th..... Tips On How To Age In Place  
Sept 10th ..... Emergency Preparedness & Older Adults: What  
You Need To Know  
Oct 8th..... Medicare And You  
Nov 12th..... Tools For Caregivers  
Dec 10th..... Housing Options For Older Adults

The goal of the Area Agency on Aging is to provide coordinated services and supports to help people age well their way. The Snacks & Facts Seminars are just one of the tools designed to assist individuals as they strive for long term success. So come out, enjoy a snack and get the facts.

Area Agency on Aging of Southwestern Illinois  
(800) 326-3221 (618) 222-2561 (618) 222-2570  
[www.answeronaging.com](http://www.answeronaging.com)