# Opportunity House, Inc. Rectivity Newsletter

October/November 2023



Every leaf speaks bliss to me Fluttering from the autumn tree.

**Emily Brontë** 



## **Announcements**

Happy Autumn, Rectivity Friends!

- What is a Rectivity? It's an awesome idea that our friends at Rec. created for us. Rectivity adventures whether in-house or Out & About are always designed and planned by all our friends here in Rec.!
- Do you follow us on social media? Opportunity House Rec. Department is on Facebook and Instagram! Like and follow us for updates and photos!

FB: Opportunity House—Recreation Department

IG: opportunityhouse\_rec

- Please remember to rank your rectivity choices by preference (1st choice, 2nd choice, 3rd choice) when you send in your RSVPs.
- Rec. payments need to be made out in full by the end of each month for that month only. Payments need to be handed directly to Emily or left at the front desk of the main building with reception.
- Because space is limited, last minute cancellations should be avoided unless it is an emergency. If the cancellation comes fewer than 24 hours in advance, the attendee will still be responsible for paying for that rectivity.

### **Announcements**

- For rectivities that occur at the OH main building after business hours, please pick up/drop off everyone at Side Door #2. Please use the doorbell to alert us of your arrival if we're not there waiting for you! The Rec. cellphone number is **815-751-2924**. Text or call if you need to communicate with us!
- Pricing for Out & About rectivities include transportation, ticket admission, and all meals/food/drink. We will let you know if there is ever additional spending money needed for souvenirs.
- We are always happy to accept donations for Bingo Prizes, individually packaged snacks, and cases of water bottles. Thank you to everyone who donated to us in the last few months!
- A special shout out to the Coil Family! For the second year in a row they hosted a lemonade stand to help raise money for OH Recreation. This year they made almost \$1,000 for our department! Thank you Coil Family!
- We are going to be introducing a new sign-up procedure in December. Rec. is going digital and we're very excited! We will send out more information and a test sample in November.

Now, let's get ready for some fall fun!

- Emily Kvasnicka & Jil Cottone



Summer started off with a scrapbooking craft! We reminisced over our favorite memories.



Some Out & About fun at the Morton Arboretum! We loved an afternoon of walking in nature and looking at their newest exhibit.



July's "Guy's Night Out" was a swinging adventure listening to the DeKalb Municipal Band play the night away.



Aktion Club members Libby, Carol, Jane, Roxanne, Matthew and Sam volunteered during the local Kiwanis event "Biking with Beanzie." We passed out snacks and water bottles to the bikers as they came to our rest stop.



Fun & Fierce Fitness is back! We have some new members to our group and are very excited to start learning a new dance routine.





Quite a colorful craft Miss Jil came up with for us! We created unique tiedye colors using permanent markers!



Kathy, David, Tera, Miss Jil, Laura, Claire, Shari, Kris and Adam are ready to moon walk the night away!



This Out & About took us to see Who's Bad at the Egyptian Theater. It was amazing to hear some of our favorite songs while we danced and sang the night away to some of our favorite tunes from the King of Pop!



Aktion Club members have hit their goal! We collected over 600lbs of plastic! This will be recycled into a plastic bench that everyone at OH will get to enjoy.





Of course, we need to celebrate properly with some ice cream sundaes!



Beach buddies Shelby, Marie, Joanna, Roxanne, John and Matthew are Out & About at the Three Oaks Recreation beach in Crystal Lake.



It was a beautiful day to soak in the sun, feel the sand between our toes, and have some fun with friends!



A creative crafty Wednesday making cool clay jewelry!



Vintage Movie & Popcorn fun watching Abbott & Costello!



Yogi masters Tim, Sean and Sydney standing strong while practicing The Warrior pose during Center & Flow Yoga.



Start your engines!

Lance, Craig, Angela, Kevin, Lisa, BJ, Dana and Sean are ready for life in the fast lane!



It was a spectacular Saturday spent at the Sycamore Speedway. On your marks... get set... RACE!



Special Guest Artist Mr. Jim stopped by to teach us all how to build our own racecars.



August ended with lots of laughs during our craft. We created some fashionable fall scarves to wear!



We had a wonderful time living in the 1700s at the Revolutionary War Reenactment at Cantigny Park!

#### Some Fun at Home!

Q: Why shouldn't you tell a secret in a cornfield?

A: Because the corn has ears!

Q: How do you fix a broken pumpkin?

A: With a pumpkin patch!

Q: Why do birds fly south for the winter?

A: Because it's quicker than walking!



### Vintage Movie & Popcorn

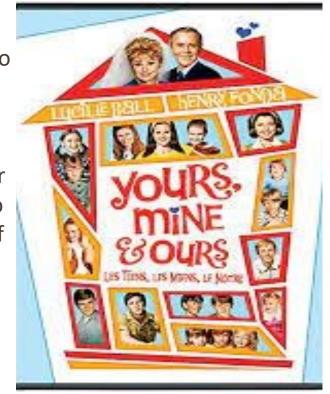


#### 10/24 Young Frankenstein (1974) PG

Respected medical lecturer Dr. Frederick
Frankenstein learns that he has inherited
his infamous grandfather's estate in
Transylvania. Arriving at the castle, Dr.
Frankenstein soon begins to recreate his
grandfather's experiments with the help of
the estate's servants. After Dr. Frankenstein
creates his own monster, new and hilarious
complications ensue.

#### 11/21 Yours, Mine & Ours (1968) PG

Navy officer Frank Beardsley is struggling to raise his 10 children in the wake of his wife's death. Frank soon begins dating Helen North, a widowed nurse with eight children of her own. After learning of their similar situations, the two are reluctant to pursue a relationship. But with the help of a mutual friend, Darrel Harrison, the two eventually fall in love and must decide about forming one big, unconventional family.



#### Sneak Peek at October Movies!

#### 10/13 Scooby Doo (2002) PG

Zoinks! Two years after a clash of egos forced Mystery Inc. to close its doors, Scooby-Doo and his clever crime-solving cohorts Fred, Daphne, Shaggy, and Velma are individually summoned to Spooky Island to investigate a series of paranormal incidents at the ultra-hip Spring Break hot spot.



#### 10/27 Frankenweenie (2012) PG

Victor Frankenstein is an outsider at school, but he does have one good friend: his dog, Sparky. Tragedy strikes and Sparky shuffles off this mortal coil. Victor is heartbroken but his science teacher gives him an idea of how to jolt old Sparky back to life. The experiment is successful and all goes well, until Victor's fellow students steal his secret with monstrous

consequences.



#### **Sneak Peek at November Movies!**

#### 11/3 Madagascar (2005) PG

Alex the lion is the king of the urban jungle, the main attraction at New York's Central Park Zoo. He and his best friends have spent their whole lives in blissful captivity. Marty the zebra lets his curiosity get the better of him and makes his escape to explore the world.



#### 11/17 50 First Dates (2004) PG-13

Playboy vet Henry sets his heart on romancing Lucy, but she has short-term memory loss; she can't remember anything that happened the day before. So every morning, Henry has to woo her again. Her friends and family are very protective, and Henry must convince them that he's in it for love.



#### Sneak Peek at October Craft Events!

There is a snack and beverage served during crafts.

#### 10/18 Haunted Halloween Gnomes

Let's make some adorable, silly, and spooky Halloween Gnomes! From Vampires to Witches, use your imagination to create these fun friends to add to your Halloween décor.





#### **10/25 Fabric Pumpkins**

Scrap Fabric Mod Podge Pumpkins are an adorable way to use up scrap pieces of fabric. Have fun with decoupage glue to create unique pumpkins to enjoy through Thanksgiving.

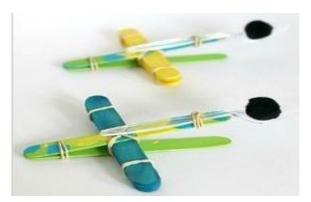


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#### 11/15 Build Your Own Catapult

Let's mix art and science and have fun building our own catapults. We will experiment with a few different types of catapults. Then we will launch different items to see whose goes the furthest. Mr. Jim will join us in building and bring along a unique catapult for us to try!





#### 11/29 Holiday Rag & Ribbon Wreath

A Holiday Rag & Ribbon Wreath is the perfect thing to hang up to get the holiday decorating off to a good start. Join your friends while we tie fabric and ribbons to create a beautiful wreath for the holiday season.



#### Sneak Peek at Out & About October!

#### 10/3 Haunted Galena Tour + Dinner

With spooky season upon us, we're headed to Galena for a double dose of history and hauntings. On our way into Galena we will stop for dinner at JJ & Freddy's Diner before our tour. No additional spending money is needed for this outing.

Rec. will transport clients home when we are finished.





#### 10/14 Happily Haunted Halloween Dance

Calling all ghosts, goblins, and ghouls! Join us for our 3rd annual Halloween Dance. We will dance the night away and end with a trick-or-treat surprise! Registration for this event will be through Eventbrite.



#### Sneak Peek at Out & About October!

#### 10/17 Pumpkin Patch Craft + Dinner

It's Pumpkin Season! We're heading to Yaeger's to pick our own pumpkins. Once we've selected the perfect one, we will head back to OH for Pumpkin Painting and a delicious taco bar dinner.

Rec. will transport everyone home when we are finished.





#### 10/30 Kishwaukee Symphony Orchestra Halloween Concert

Join us for delightfully spooky sounds as the KSO performs in their annual Halloween Concert. We will meet as a group at 4:00pm and have dinner at Pizza Villa before heading to the concert. No additional spending money is needed for this outing. Rec. will transport clients home when we are finished.





#### Sneak Peek at Out & About November!

#### 11/7 NIU Observatory Tour: A Night in Space + Dinner

We'll start the evening off with dinner at The Junction Eating Place. Join us for a private tour of the NIU Observatory. We will learn how astronomers study outer space and have the opportunity to observe the night sky through their telescope. No additional spending money is needed. Rec. will transport everyone home when we are finished.





#### 11/11 Train Ride to Glen Ellyn

All aboard! We're headed out to Glen Ellyn for a day of adventure. After riding the train in we'll be walking to lunch at 2Toots Train Whistle Grill. Weather permitting, we'll spend time walking the city before taking the



train home. Rec. will transport everyone home when we are finished.



#### Sneak Peek at Out & About November!

#### 11/19 Burpee Museum of Natural History + Lunch

Let's explore dinosaurs, fossils, woolly mammoths, Native American artifacts, and more at the Burpee Museum of Natural History. We will have lunch at Jason's Deli before heading to the museum. Additional spending money for souvenirs may be brought and Rec. will transport everyone home at the end.





#### 11/29 Disney's Wish in Theaters

Join us for an after dinner night out where we'll catch an evening showing of Disney's latest musical adventure movie, Wish. A medium popcorn and drink are included with the cost of the rectivity. Rec. will transport everyone home when we are finished.





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Time: 5:30pm-? Location: DO @ 357

Cost: \$30 Limit: 8

## October

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	Movin' & Groovin' Time: 3:00pm- 4:30pm Location: 357 Cost: \$5 Limit: 12	Qut & About: Galena Ghost Tour Time: 2:30pm-TBA Location: DO@ 357 Cost: \$70 Limit: 6	4	5	6	Fun & Fierce Fitness Time: 9:00am- 10:30am Location: 357 Cost: \$10 Limit: 8
8	Genter & Flow Yoga Time: 3:00pm- 4:00pm Location: 357 Cost: \$5 Limit: 6	10	Aktion Club Time: 3:00pm- 5:00pm Location: 357 Cost: \$5 for snack	Prize Bingo Time: 3:00pm- 4:30pm Location: 357 Cost: \$5 Limit: 15	Movie & Popcorn: Scooby-Doo Time: 6:00pm- 8:00pm Location: 357 Cost: \$5 Limit: 20	14 Happy Halloween Dance Time: 5:30pm- 8:30pm Location: DO @ 357 Cost: \$20 Eventbrite Link will be emailed for registration!
15	16 Movin' & Groovin' Time: 3:00pm- 4:30pm Location: 357 Cost: \$5 Limit: 12	Out & About: Pump- kin Patch/Dinner/ Craft Time: 3:00pm-TBA Location: DO @ 357 Cost: \$40 Limit: 10	Craft: Haunted Halloween Gnomes Time: 3:00pm- 4:30pm Location: 357 Cost: \$10 Limit: 10	19	20	21
22	23	Vintage Movie & Popcorn Time: 3:00pm- 4:45pm Location: 357 Cost: \$5 Limit: 20	Craft: Fabric Pumpkins Time: 3:00pm- 4:30pm Location: 357 Cost: \$5 Limit: 10	Prize Bingo Time: 3:00pm- 4:30pm Location: 357 Cost: \$5 Limit: 15	Movie & Popcorn: Frankenweenie Time: 6:00pm- 8:00pm Location: 357 Cost: \$5 Limit: 20	28
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