

# Client Activities Bulletin

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This is a special abbreviated activities bulletin for our clients in both the Lehigh Valley and Monroe County. Because of the evolving nature of the global COVID-19 pandemic, we will plan activities and services on a month-to-month basis at this time. Please note that all in-person services and activities, except portions of our Camp I CAN! summer program for kids, are canceled through July 31, 2020. All virtual activities are open to clients from both areas unless noted otherwise.

## Lehigh Valley Campus

845 West Wyoming St., Allentown, PA 18103  
**610.433.6018**

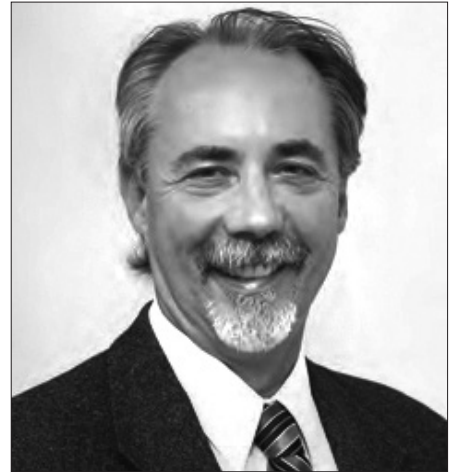
## Monroe Campus

4215 Manor Drive, Stroudsburg, PA 18360  
**570.992.7787**

## ▶ A Special Greeting

*Douglas Yingling, who retired as our Executive Director on June 30, 2020, offers a special message to clients.*

Wow, this has really been a crazy time for all of us, hasn't it? I know you are all aware of my plans to retire, but I never thought things would become so drastically different in just three months since we published our most recent activities bulletin.



I just wanted to take one more opportunity to say that I really appreciated getting to know so many of you in the past 10 years and that there is a lot I will miss. I know you now have a strong advocate with Dennis Zehner as our new Executive Director and that the agency will continue to progress. I also believe that our programs, and frankly the rest of the world, will get back to normal soon. Support each other and stay strong!

I wish all of you the best in every way!

Thank you.

Doug Yingling

## ► What's Exciting

# You Are at the Core of All We Do



**Your thoughts and ideas can influence how we can serve you even better.**

By Dennis Zehner  
Executive Director

I look forward to meeting you as I begin my work as Executive Director. Unfortunately, one of the first opportunities to do so – our iconic Lions Boat Picnic – has been canceled this summer because of public health concerns. Meanwhile, our efforts to enable your personal triumphs over visual impairments are in great hands with Jennifer Pandolfo, our new Director of Services. Many of you know Jennifer already. Those who meet her will find a dedicated, knowledgeable program leader and powerful advocate.

In the coming months, we will seek to identify and implement ways to serve your needs even more effectively. Along the way, we will seek your thoughts and ideas. In the meantime, you can feel free to reach me by phone at 610.433.6018, Ext. 241, or by email at [dennis.zehner@centerforvisionloss.org](mailto:dennis.zehner@centerforvisionloss.org).

## ► **Changes Due to COVID-19**

- Until further notice, **all entries to our facilities, including our stores, will be by appointment only** and all entrants must wear masks.
- Our **transport service is available with additional safety protocols in place** for all medical appointments, grocery deliveries, and pharmacy deliveries. We **cannot provide transport for COVID-19 testing.**
- When we call to confirm a ride, **we will ask you** if you have any COVID-19-related symptoms. If you have symptoms, then we cannot provide transport.
- **All clients and companions must wear masks** and must sit in the vehicle's middle or back row. Our **vehicles are cleaned thoroughly** after each transport.
- **All drivers must wear masks and may not work if they have COVID-19 symptoms.**
- **Failure to comply with these protocols** will result in cancellation of your ride.
- To **schedule a transport ride**, call 610.433.6018, Ext. 226, in the Lehigh Valley, and 570.992.7787, Ext. 224, in Monroe County.
- To **schedule a store visit**, call 610.433.6018, Ext. 224, in the Lehigh Valley, and 570.992.7787, Ext. 229, in Monroe County.

## ▶ **NEW! Check Out Our Videos**

We have posted educational videos on our Facebook page and at **CenterforVisionLoss.org/OurVideos**.

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## ▶ **Our July Activities**

### **Intermediate Braille Class**

Facilitated by Dianne Michels; consistent attendance is required

Dates and Times: **Wednesdays, July 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29; 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**

Call in Number: **605-475-4759**

Access Code: **257757** then pound sign

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### **Lehigh Valley Beginner Braille Class**

Next class limited to four clients and requires consistent attendance. Call 610.433.6018, Ext. 225, to register.

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### **Open Client Support Group**

Date and Time: **Thursday, July 2; 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**

Call-in Number: **605-475-4759**

Access Code: **352206** followed by the pound sign

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### **Tech Talk Sessions**

Date and Time: **Thursdays July 2, 9, 16; 12:30-2 p.m.**

Virtual Link: **<https://zoom.us/j/91851158397>**

## **Monroe Client Support Group**

Date and Time: **Monday, July 6; 10-11:30 a.m.**

Virtual Link: **<https://zoom.us/j/95872502147>**

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## **Grilling Tips and Tricks: Share Your Recipes**

Facilitated by Dianne Michels; share your favorite recipes

Date and Time: **Monday, July 6; 1-2:30 p.m.**

Call-in Number: **605-475-4759**

Access Code: **352206 followed by the pound sign**

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## **Spotlight On Independence**

Facilitated by Dianne Michels; share your success stories

Date and Time: **Tuesday, July 7; 1-2:30 p.m.**

Call-in Number: **605-475-4759**

Access Code: **352206 followed by the pound sign**

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## **Men's Group**

Date and Time: **Thursday, July 9; 10-11:30 a.m.**

Call-in Number: **605-313-4802**

Access Code: **594495 followed by the pound sign**

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## **Spanish-Speaking Client Support Group**

Date and Time: **Monday, July 13; 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**

Virtual Link: **<https://zoom.us/j/93165617832>**

## **Women's Chat Group**

Date and Time: **Tuesday, July 14; 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**

Call-in Number: **605-475-4860**

Access Code: **352206 followed by the pound sign**

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## **Get Up and Move! Exercise Session**

Date and Time: **Wednesday, July 15; 1-2 p.m.**

Call-in Number: **605-475-4860**

Access Code: **352206 followed by the pound sign**

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## **Crafters Corner Activity**

Topic: **Patriotic Crafts**

Date and Time: **Thursday, July 16; 12:30-2 p.m.**

Virtual Link: **<https://zoom.us/j/91851158397>**

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## **Mastering Self-Confidence and Self-Esteem**

Facilitated by Dianne Michels

Date and Time: **Monday, July 20; 1-2:30 p.m.**

Call-in Number: **605-475-4759**

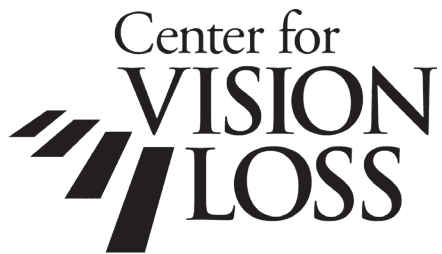
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## **Monroe NuVisions Client Group Meeting**

Date and Time: **Friday, July 31; 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**

Virtual Link: **<https://zoom.us/j/91456900594>**



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