

Mental Health Board

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Renz Celebrates 50 years of Service

This year, Renz Addiction Counseling Center celebrates their 50th year of providing services to the community. Located in Elgin, Renz Center opened its doors in 1961 as Community Concern for Alcohol with James Renz and a variety of concerned citizens. Mr. Renz was the executive director for 25 years helping lead Renz Center into the multiprogram agency they are today. Renz Center provides alcohol, substance abuse and compulsive gambling treatment. Renz also offers programs for women, youth, and those who are in a close relationship with a person who is addicted. Renz Center also recently initiated the Community Homeless Integration Project, which provides comprehensive case management services for individuals who are or at risk of becoming homeless.

On September 24, Renz celebrated its 50th anniversary with its 4th annual Epicurean Delight Dinner. At the event, they honored the Mental Health Board with the Julie McCormack Award. For over 25 years the Mental Health Board has worked with Renz Center to provide prevention, intervention and substance abuse treatment programs to the residents of Hanover Township. With the support of Hanover Township, Renz provides substance abuse programming to Hanover Township youth and their families and collaborates with local schools to further their reach in the community.

With 50 years of service behind them, Renz Center will continue to bring innovated approaches to substance abuse prevention, intervention and counseling to the community. The mental Health Board looks forward to another 25 years of continuing Renz Centers mission of “providing anyone affected by addition or addiction-related issues with the most effective preventative and clinical care in a safe and nurturing environment through a teamwork approach.”

To learn more about Renz Addiction Counseling Center, please visit their website at www.renzcenter.org or by calling 847-742-3545.



Renz Center Board President Ian Jones presents Township Supervisor Brian P. McGuire with the Julie McCormack award.

Community Resource Center

The Community Resource Center in Streamwood was established over 10 years ago to provide a centralized location for agencies receiving funding from the Mental Health Board. Last year, over 1,000 Hanover Township residents utilized the services at the Resource Center. In order to expand the resources provided by the agencies, the space underwent renovations that began in June of this year. The Mental Health Board completed renovations to the Community Resource Center on November 1.

Throughout the summer, the Hanover Township Maintenance Department worked diligently to update the current space. The renovations included reconfiguring office space, relocating the handicap parking spot to the front of the building and a new fire alarm system. The Board also took the opportunity to make some environmentally friendly updates such as energy efficient lights and energy star appliances. With the space newly renovated, the agencies will be able to provide better service to Hanover Township residents and allow future growth of the Community Resource Center.



Renovations at the Township's Mental Health Resource Center

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