



Illinois General Assembly

MEDIA ADVISORY

Bloomington, IL... Seniors with a knack for spelling have an opportunity to test their skills during a qualifying round of the 2009 Illinois State Senior Spelling Bee, sponsored by State Senator Carole Pankau (R-Itasca) and Representative Franco Coladipietro (R-Bloomingtondale).

Qualifying rounds for the State Senior Spelling Bee are held throughout the State of Illinois, with the finals occurring during the Illinois State Fair on Monday, August 17, 2009.

The spelling bee is open to anyone age 50 and over. Seniors willing to participate can pre-register by calling either 630-582-0390 or 630-582-0045.

Registration is free, and seniors are encouraged to study by using a dictionary or by going to www.myspellit.com on the Internet.

The scheduled spelling bee will be held on:

Tuesday, June 2nd at Windsor Park Manor, 124 Windsor Park Drive in Carol Stream, IL beginning at **1:30 p.m.**

Other co-sponsors of the event include: Illinois Department on Aging, Home Care Headquarters and the Association of Illinois Senior Centers.

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