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To provide a safe, supportive environment that encourages brain injury survivors to design and direct their own life's journey.



## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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### **HICKOK CENTER HOSTS OPEN HOUSE TO CELEBRATE NATIONAL BRAIN INJURY AWARENESS MONTH**

NEWARK, NY, March 8, 2010 – **The Hickok Center for Brain Injury** invites everyone in the Wayne County community to join us for an **Open House, Friday, March 19, 2010** at our Newark Center located at **165 East Union Street, 14513 from 11 a.m. until 6 p.m.** Plenty of parking available. Take a guided tour of our facility, meet members and staff. Light refreshments provided. Come get to know us and help us raise awareness of brain injury prevention and compensatory services available to brain injury survivors in our community. For more information please contact Penny at 315-331-6150 or [pgugino@hickokcenter.org](mailto:pgugino@hickokcenter.org).

Brain injury can occur internally anywhere at anytime due to stroke or aneurism, seizure or illness. No one is immune. Additionally, about 5.3 million Americans are living with a disability that resulted from a traumatic brain injury related to impacts from motor vehicle accidents, violence or accidents at work or play. People suffering from brain injuries have to regain lost skills that the rest of us take for granted such as writing or typing, conversing with friends, folding laundry, and shopping for groceries.

The Hickok Center for Brain Injury, with centers in Rochester and Newark, is a place where people with brain injuries can go to redevelop the skills they have lost, within the safety and support of people with similar experiences and professionals who understand their struggle. Members set their own goals, design their own programs and utilize our organization's staff in ways that are consistent with their own priorities toward independence and self-sufficiency. We invite you to visit [www.hickokcenter.org](http://www.hickokcenter.org) for more information about both our locations.

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