

# FAIR LAWN SENIOR CENTER

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## STORIES FROM ELLIS ISLAND ~PART 2~



From 1892 to 1954,  
more than 12.5 million  
immigrants were processed  
through Ellis Island.

Coming from all corners of  
the world, these souls—whom  
nearly 40% of Americans can  
call "family"—left behind

possessions and family to reinvent themselves in America.  
Most were processed through Ellis Island without incident.  
But some immigrants found themselves detained due to mental  
or physical illness, because their paperwork was not in order,  
or because those who were due to receive them did not show.  
What kind of stories could they tell?

### PRESENTED BY FRED VOSS

Mr. Voss is a professional genealogist and a former volunteer tour  
guide at Ellis Island National Park. His talk will explore the  
personal, sometimes heartbreaking, stories of those who came  
through the facility, those whose visit to the US ended there, and  
those whose stay on the island was unexpectedly lengthy.

**THURSDAY, APRIL 24, 2025 @ 1-2:30 P.M.**

No advance registration necessary for this program.  
The Senior Center offers a Noon lunch (\$1.25 suggested donation)  
and reservations should be made at least 24 hours in advance.