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A bi-monthly newsletter from The Independence Township Senior Community Center

50 GOLDEN YEARS AT THE SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER



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Purpose Statement

The purpose of the Senior Community Center is to provide participants ages 50 and over with programs, services, travel and enrichment opportunities supporting a healthy and independent lifestyle.

INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER

6000 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, MI 48348 (Located in Clintonwood Park)

Phone 248-625-8231
Fax 248-922-3189
Mon – Fri 8AM – 5PM
(Closed Holidays)

www.indtwp.com
(Go to Departments then to Senior Community Center)

Take note...

THE SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER WILL BE CLOSED:

- Wednesday, January 1 – New Years Day
- Monday, January 20 – Martin Luther King Day
- Monday, February 17 – President's Day

STAFF:

Parks, Recreation & Seniors Director- Adam Kline
Deputy Director of Recreation- Lisa Christensen, CPRP
Senior Division Supervisor- Jennifer Angus, CPRP
Office Specialist- Theresa Gordon
Programmer & Volunteer Coordinator- Ann Bouchard, CTRS
Community Relations Coordinator- Amy Laboissonniere
Senior Services Coordinator- Patty Collins, MSW
Travel Coordinator- Mary Melega
Part Time Clerk- Laura Naglik
Part Time Clerk- Susan Berry
Receptionist- Nancy Shuman
Nutrition Coordinator- Sue DePoorter
Meals on Wheels & Site Hostess- Barbara Szematowicz
Custodian- Carol Vickery
Building & Grounds Maintenance Technician- Tony Hernandez



TOWNSHIP BOARD:

Supervisor	Chuck Phyle
Clerk	Cari Neubeck
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Trustee	Sam Moraco
Trustee	Theresa A. Nallamothu
Trustee	Jim Tedder

SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER MEMBERSHIP

Your membership is valid for one year from the date you sign up. Couples should sign up at the same time. Membership entitles you to discounts on programs and travel.

Our membership fees are:

Per person - \$17 residents / \$27 non-residents

Per couple - \$27 residents / \$37 non-residents

Celebrate 90+ years young with a FREE membership

New and renewing members will receive a quarterly newsletter and a one-time \$5.00 coupon (good for 6 months) that can be used towards programs or travel. By participating in a couple of programs your membership will pay for itself. All our programs, day trips, extended travel & drop-in activities reflect member and non-member fees. *Residents are persons who pay taxes to Independence Township, live in the City of the Village of Clarkston or Springfield Township.

SENIOR CENTER ADVISORY:

Independence Township Senior Community Center Advisory Subcommittee. Meets on the second Wednesday of the odd months at 9AM. Upcoming meeting dates January 8 & March 12, 2025.

The subcommittee is approved by the Township Board to represent the Center and to offer input and support to the Parks, Recreation & Senior Advisory on the Center's operations and programs.

WEATHER CLOSURE POLICY

When Clarkston Community Schools are canceled due to weather, the Senior Community Center will be open for regular posted hours. However, please note the following exceptions:

Registered classes/presentations/programs: When registering ask what the policy is for inclement weather cancellation. Each instructor has their own policy.

Trips: If a trip is scheduled, and the travel company or venue has made the decision to offer the trip that day/days, you will not receive a refund if you choose not to participate. Meals On Wheels: Will not be delivered if OPC is closed due to inclement weather. Call OPC at 248-608-0264.

Please note that on the rare occasion that Independence Township decides to close, all Senior Community Center programs and activities will automatically be canceled with the exception of our day trips and extended travel (see above).

If you have any questions if we are open or a program/class/activity is being canceled, please call us at 248-625-8231.

PROGRAM REGISTRATION INFORMATION

***Register** for senior programs, trip and memberships by phone payable by cash, check (made to Independence Township), Master Card, Visa, American Express and Discover (no service fees). Classes must be paid in full when registering. Independence Township will charge a processing fee of 2.75% + \$0.30 on all credit card transactions and e-check/ACH payments. This processing fee is to cover the fee imposed by the credit card companies and financial services providers to authorize and complete transactions. To avoid this processing fee, customers may choose to register in person and pay with cash or check.

SENIOR ADVISORY OFFICERS:

Sue Shubert - President

Bill Kunse - Vice President

Bill Scarborough - Secretary

Advisory Members: Greg Gonyea, Bob Haar and Diane Kaszeta

Staff: Jennifer Angus - Senior Division Supervisor
Adam Kline - Parks, Recreation & Seniors Director
Chuck Phyle - Township Supervisor

SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER REFUND POLICY

A \$10 service fee will be withheld from all patron refund requests unless the class or program is cancelled by the Senior Community Center. Processing fees will not be refunded.

NO REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED FOR SPECIAL EVENTS, SPECIAL LUNCHESES, DINNER & EUCHRE OR ONE DAY PROGRAMS. SORRY, NO EXCEPTIONS.

All refunds will be issued in the form of a township check, credit card reimbursement or account credit. No cash refunds will be given. Check refunds will be issued according to the Township Finance Department's bill-paying schedule, which may take 4-6 weeks. If the refund is less than \$10, a credit will be posted to your account and good for five years from the date of the credit posting.

Classes: Refunds must be requested before the start of the **SECOND**-class meeting. Refunds are prorated if requested after the first class or if other expenses (i.e. materials) are involved. A \$10 service fee will be withheld from this refund.

Facility Rentals: If the cancellation/transfer request by the applicant occurs more than fourteen days (14) prior to the event: all transfers are subject to a \$20 administrative fee, pending the new date and/or time is available. All transfers must be done in person unless payment is made by credit card. In the case of a refund, the rental fee minus \$20 will be refunded along with the deposit. If the cancellation/transfer request by the applicant occurs less than fourteen days (14) prior to the event: the entire rental fee is forfeited and the deposit will be returned in full, regardless of the reason for the cancellation, including inclement weather. Transfer requests occurring less than fourteen (14) days prior to the event are subject to staffing availability. If the park facility is closed due to power outages or a Township closure, consideration for rentals booked on that will be made.

Transfers: Transfers between like classes of the same price and venue (example an exercise class to a similar exercise class) are possible, based on availability, at the discretion of the Senior Community Center Program Coordinator. If the class fee the patron is transferring to is more than the original class, the patron will be responsible for the difference.

Trips: Day trip and extended travel refunds will be based on individual travel company policy. A \$10 administrative fee will be deducted from refund proceeds. Exceptions may be made by Senior Community Center Supervisor or Travel Coordinator based on extenuating circumstances. If tickets have been purchased prior to the refund request for either a day/extended travel trip, a refund will not be given unless the space can be filled and paid for by someone from the Waiting List or the person requesting the refund.



THURSDAYS AT 12PM, Bartsch Hall

\$8 per person unless otherwise specified. **Pre-registration and payment are required, make your reservation no later than 5PM Monday preceding the scheduled date.** We cannot accommodate special requests. If you have special dietary restrictions and are not able to eat what is on the menu you are welcome to bring a meal with you and join us for lunch at no charge. All meals meet the Area Agency on Aging standards for proper portions of protein, grains, vegetables, and fruit. **Coupons cannot be redeemed on holiday and special lunches. Expired coupons are not valid. All meals subject to change.**

LUNCH MENU

- January 2 - **No lunch**
- January 9 - Beef brisket with mashed potato and vegetables
- January 16 - Fried chicken, baked beans, cole slaw, and roll
- January 23 - Mostaccioli, Greek salad, and garlic bread
- January 30 - **Happy Birthday Michigan Luncheon**
Pasties and Michigan Cherry salad
- February 6 - Beef stew, Caesar salad, salad, and bread
- February 13 - **Valentine's Day Luncheon**
Chicken Parmesan with salad
- February 20 - Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, veggies, and bread
- February 27 - Salmon patties with sides
- March 6 - Chicken and veggie casserole with bread
- March 13 - **St. Patrick's Day Luncheon** – Corn beef dinner
- March 20 - Ham, potato, salad, and bread
- March 27 - Baked chicken with potato salad, and bread



Parkinson's Peer Support Group

Second Wednesday of the month, 1:30PM

Group meeting for those diagnosed with Parkinson's disease and their care partners.

Learn about resources and coping strategies from speakers and other group members.



Support Group meets at the Senior Community Center.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES EVENTS & PRESENTATIONS

ALL PROGRAMS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Do you have a talent, skill or hobby that is not offered at the Senior Community Center? Call the center and ask for Ann Bouchard.

MEET AND GREET WITH SUPERVISOR PHYLE

Wednesday, February 26

Join supervisor Chuck Phyle for coffee and conversation at the Senior Community Center.

WELCOME WAGON

Tuesday, January 14 & April 8, 10AM

I have my membership, and I am receiving my newsletter, now what? Or not a member yet, no problem. Stop by the Senior Community Center as various staff members lead an informative discussion and answer questions. Meet new friends, connect with interest groups, programs, resources and start getting involved!

SECRETARY OF STATE MOBILE UNIT

**Tuesday, January 7 & Wednesday, April 23
10AM-3PM, Bartsch Hall**

Need new license tabs, a Michigan REAL ID, or handicap parking permit but dread the hassle? Services provided by the Secretary of State office will be available! Simply call the Senior Center to schedule an appointment time.



CANCELLATION OF GREAT PROGRAMS CAN BE AVOIDED

Deadlines are very important for planning purposes for the Senior Community Center staff and Instructors. Please avoid disappointment by registering early. Thank You!

All activities and classes are held in the Senior Community Center unless otherwise specified.

HEALTHY EATING IN THE NEW YEAR

Tuesday, January 14, 1PM

\$2 Mem \$4 Non Mem

Let us help you keep that New Year's resolution to eat healthier! Two local nurses from Let Us Drive LLC will provide nutrition information and recipe ideas. Ideas for healthy cooking for one will be emphasized. Includes a light and healthy lunch! Call to register.

CELL PHONE SAVVY

These introductory workshops will answer your questions and build your confidence with technology. Limited to 8 participants. Call to register.

CELL PHONE 101 – ANDROID

Tuesday, January 21, 1:30PM

CELL PHONE 201 – ANDROID

Tuesday, February 4, 1:30PM

CELL PHONE 101 – IPHONE

Tuesday, February 18, 1:30PM

MASTERING YOUR MOVE: RIGHTSIZING, ORGANIZING, & HOME TRANSITIONS PLANNING

Wednesday, January 22, 1:30PM

\$2 Mem \$4 Non Mem

Ready to sell your home and transition to the next chapter of life? Looking to get your house in order? This presentation will equip you with the knowledge and tools you need to make the selling process as efficient and stress-free as possible. Topics will include preparing your home for sale, organizing and decluttering, and completing legal documents. Call to register.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES Member and non-member drop in fees vary by program. For more information call 248-625-8231.

MONDAY

Indoor Pickleball 9AM
Line Dance 10AM
Bridge – Drop in 12PM
Euchre 1PM
Spinning and Weaving 2nd & 4th Monday at 1PM

TUESDAY

Indoor Pickleball 9AM
Bunco 2nd Tuesday at 10AM
Double Deck Pinochle 1PM

WEDNESDAY

Indoor Pickleball 9AM
Knitting Group 10AM
Mahjong 12:30PM
Traditional Jazz Band Last Wednesday 1-4PM
Dinner & Euchre 3rd Wednesday at 6PM

THURSDAY

Indoor Pickleball 9AM
Hand and Foot 10AM
Club Bookworm Last Thursday at 10AM
Lunch 12PM
Bingo 1PM
Movies at the Library 3rd Thursday at 1:30PM

FRIDAY

Indoor Pickleball 9AM
Recycled Greeting Cards 2nd Friday at 9AM
Woodcarving 10AM
Knitting Group 12PM
Double Deck Pinochle 1PM

HAPPY BIRTHDAY MICHIGAN

Thursday, January 30, 12PM

\$11 Mem \$13 Non Mem

Join us as we celebrate the State of Michigan's 188th birthday with a Michigan-themed lunch of pasties and Michigan cherry salad. Registration deadline: January 27, 2025.



STROH'S STORY

A Detroit Brewing Legacy

Following lunch, Jeremy Dimick of The Detroit Historical Society will join us for a fascinating look at this iconic Detroit brewer and

its over 150-year history of German-style brews. Presentation will begin at 12:45PM.



VALENTINE'S DAY LUNCHEON

Thursday, February 13 12PM

\$11 Mem \$13 Non Mem

Join us for a Valentine's Day luncheon with live

entertainment by Accordionist Gary Kolody accompanied by Violinist Bill. Registration deadline: February 10. Check-in begins at 11:30AM.



ST. PATRICK'S DAY LUNCHEON

Thursday, March 13 12PM

\$11 Mem \$13 Non Mem

Get your green on and join us for some traditional Irish

fare and entertainment. Registration deadline: March 10. Check-in for lunch begins at 11:30AM. Sláinte!



MOTHER'S DAY LUNCHEON

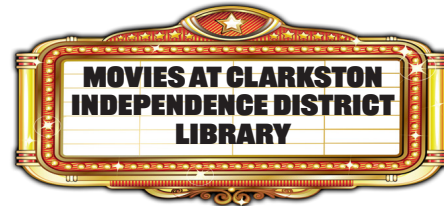
Thursday, May 8 12PM

\$11 Mem \$13 Non Mem

Join us in a spring themed Mother's Day celebration

with live entertainment. Registration deadline: May 5. Check-in for lunch begins at 11:30AM. in Registration begins April 1.

SPECIAL LUNCHEONS
ARE SPONSORED BY:



6494 Clarkston Road, Clarkston

THIRD THURSDAY, 1:30PM, Cost: \$1

Join us for a new release movie and don't worry the corn will be popping!

JANUARY 16 - THELMA, 2024, PG13, COMEDY/DRAMA, 1H 38M



Thelma Post is a 93-year-old grandmother who loses \$10,000 to a con artist on the phone. With help from a friend and his motorized scooter, she soon embarks on a treacherous journey across Los Angeles to reclaim what was taken from her. Starring: June Squibb, Fred Hechinger, and Richard Roundtree.

FEBRUARY 20 - ONE LIFE, 2023, PG, WAR/DRAMA, 1H 50M



London broker Nicholas "Nicky" Winton helps rescue hundreds of predominantly Jewish children from Czechoslovakia in a race against time before the Nazi occupation closes the borders. Fifty years later, he's still haunted by the fate of those he wasn't able to bring to safety. Starring: Anthony Hopkins, Lena Olin, and Johnny Flynn.

MARCH 20 - THE LONG GAME, 2023, PG, DRAMA, 1H 52M



The film tells the true story of the San Felipe Mustangs, a group of Mexican American youths located in Del Rio, Texas. In the 1950s, the group set out to play golf at a white country club in town in order to have a high school team. Starring: Jay Hernandez, Dennis Quaid, and Julian Works.

Women's
history
month

Julia Grant

The Confederate Wife of Ulysses S. Grant

Tuesday, March 18, 1PM

\$5 MEM \$6 NON MEM

Women are often overlooked in history for their role in the institution of slavery. First Lady Julia Dent Grant, wife of President Ulysses S. Grant, was a steadfast slave mistress for more than half of her life. Though Grant himself grew up in an abolitionist family in the free state of Ohio, his marriage to Julia Dent led him to become involved in slavery while the two lived in Missouri on Julia's family estate. As a result, Ulysses Grant was the last U.S. president to have owned an enslaved individual.

SENIOR LIVING – FACTS & SNACKS

Tuesday, February 11, 2PM

\$2 Mem \$4 Non Mem

Learn what questions to ask and what to look for when searching or planning for a senior living community for yourself or a loved one. We will discuss what senior living includes, options, the benefits of future planning, financial considerations, and available resources. Participants will receive a free planning guide with checklist. Presented by Elizabeth Risner, OTA/L, CDP. Call to register.

SELF DEFENSE FOR SENIORS

Tuesday, February 25, 1-3PM

No Charge



You can never be too prepared! Captain Jen Miles from the Oakland County Sheriff's Department will be here to give basic prevention, self-defense

knowledge and skills along with the mental ability to recognize and formulate choices during life threatening or dangerous situations. This class will cover discussion and physical portions, which can be modified to accommodate abilities. *Monetary donations are accepted on behalf of Mission Oakland, a non-profit providing programs and services enhancing the community's relationship with law enforcement in Oakland County. If you would like to attend, please call the Senior Community Center at 248-625-8231 to register.

HEALTHY LIVING FOR BRAIN AND BODY

Tuesday, March 11, 1PM, No Charge

You can make a difference! Learn what research has shown about lifestyle choices that may help keep your brain and body healthy as you age. Hear practical ways to incorporate small, meaningful changes. Presented by Alzheimer's Association facilitator. Call to register.

MATTER OF BALANCE – MANAGING CONCERNS ABOUT FALLS

Tuesdays, April 1- May 20, 1:30-3:30PM

No Charge

Many older adults experiences concerns about falling and restrict their activities. A Matter of Balance is an award-winning program designed to manage falls and increase activity levels. This eight-session course is sponsored by AgeWays and led by two trained instructors. Pre-registration is required.

TECH TIPS FOR YOUR VEHICLE

Wednesday, April 2, 1PM

\$2 Mem \$3 Non Mem

Are you using all the technology in your vehicle? Bowman Chevrolet will be your tech guide for the hour. They will share all the tips to help you get the most out of your vehicle. From safety to entertainment, communication, and lifestyle, technology has advanced. Topics will include connecting your Bluetooth and apps from your smart phone, GPS, quick dial for your contacts, tire pressure readings, lane assist and more. Register now.

MAHJONG

Wednesdays, 12:30PM

\$1 Mem \$2 Non Mem

We are looking to grow our Mahjong group, if you are interested, give us a call. Mahjong is a traditional game established in China about 100 years ago. Classic



mahjong was played with 144 mahjong tiles and four players. It is a social game that allows friends and family to get together and have fun.

BINGO

Thursdays, 1PM

\$1 Mem \$2 Non Mem

Come and join the crew for an afternoon of traditional bingo. There is an additional .25 cent for bingo cards.

BUNCO!

Second Tuesday, 10AM-12PM

\$5 Mem \$6 Non Mem

Bunco is a 12-player dice game that only requires luck to win. There is no strategy, no talent is needed, and it moves fast. The game is played on three tables, with four players to a table. It consists of six rounds with each round ending when the lead table reaches 21 points. Call the Center to be added to the group. Pre-registration required.

HAND & FOOT

Thursdays, 10AM

\$1 Mem \$2 Non Mem

Our Hand & Foot card group is looking to expand. This card game is a popular variation from the rummy type game of Canasta. If you have never played or if you need a refresher, no problem, this group of members will happily share their love of the game.

EUCHRE

Mondays, 1PM

\$2 Mem \$3 Non Mem

Euchre is a trick taking game for 2 teams of two. Like many card games, Euchre requires skill, but also a lot of luck. Come join the fun and don't forget your dimes.

PINOCHLE DOUBLE DECK

Tuesdays and Fridays, 1PM

Double deck Pinochle is a 4-player card game. There are two teams of two players, with partners sitting across from each other. The deck consists of 80 cards, containing A 10 K Q J in each of the four suits, and with four identical copies of each card. Interested in learning the game – call the Center.

DINNER AND EUCHRE

Wednesdays, January 15, February 19 & March 19

**Check-in begins: 5:15PM, Dinner: 6PM
Bartsch Hall, \$15**



Pre-registration by Monday, 5PM of the week and payment is required to attend! Looking for a fun evening out with friends? Enjoy a home cooked dinner followed by friendly tournament style euchre. Come with a partner, by yourself or with a group of friends. Prizes will be awarded to first, second and third place winners. Previous Euchre experience required. Don't forget your quarters!

INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP
PARKS, RECREATION & SENIORS

**SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR VOLUNTEER
APPRECIATION LUNCHEON!**

**AN AFTERNOON
OF STARS**

Thursday, May 1, 2025

Dress to impress for the red carpet or as your favorite Hollywood celebrity.

Invites will be sent to those who meet our hours of service.

CLUB BOOKWORM

Last Thursday, 10AM

\$1 per person

Love to read? Come and share your opinions and insights with our informal group as we never judge a book by its cover. New book selection each month are available for pick up at the monthly discussion or any time after in the office.

January 30, 2025:

Jim Henson: The Biography by Brian Jay Jones

February 27, 2025:

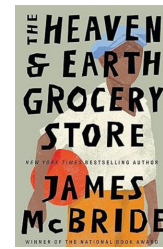
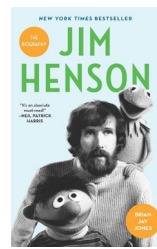
The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store by James McBride

March 27, 2025:

The Four Winds by Kristen Hannah

April 24, 2025:

The Paris Library by Janet Skeslien Charles



LEGAL ADVICE

MY LEGAL AND FINANCIAL SOLUTIONS

Thursdays, January 9, February 13, & March 13

Senior Community Center, 9:30AM

No Charge

Join Attorney Amy Parker for an informative presentation concentrating in the areas of trusts, wills, estates, and real estate planning. Whether your needs involve tax planning to avoid estate taxes and preserve your legacy, special needs trusts or real estate matters, this presentation will empower you with knowledge. Call the Center to register.

ASK THE ATTORNEY

MONDAY, February 3 & March 17

Carriage House, No Charge

Attorney Dana Wilson provides private consultations at the center once a month. If you need assistance with legal problems or if you have legal questions, call the Center for a 15-20 minute appointment. Donations to the Senior Community Center are appreciated.

CREATIVE AND ENRICHMENT

WOMENS CIRCLE

First Tuesday, 10:30-11:30AM

Starting January 7, 2025

\$1 Mem \$2 Non Mem



Whether you're seeking friendship, healing, or personal growth - our circle is a place where all voices are heard and hearts are nourished. Tap into the collective wisdom and embrace the magic of sisterhood as we discuss a variety of topics regarding life as we age. This circle will be lead by Nancy Boch. This is a drop-in program located in the Carriage House.

SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER YEARBOOK

Wednesday, February 5, No cost



We are excited to collaborate with the 8th & 9th Grade Clarkston Junior High School Yearbook Staff to utilize their photography and interview skills to create an Independence Township

Senior Community Center Yearbook. This book will highlight participants' passions, fond memories, friendships, family, and pets. Students will spend time at the center interviewing and photographing seniors for the book. All participants will get a printed copy of the yearbook free of charge so they can look back on their preserved memories and stories. Please consider joining us in helping these students hone their skills while creating lasting memories together! Call the Center to sign-up, limited spots available.

RECYCLED GREETING CARDS



Stop in and see our beautiful, recreated, recycled cards! The bargain cost is \$.50 per card or 5 for \$2. To donate old cards including Christmas cards, bring the entire card to the Center. All proceeds

will go into the "Friends of the Independence Township Senior Adult Activity Center" account. If you are interested in recreating our greeting cards, the group meets the second Friday of the month at 9AM. Call for more details.

KNITTING GROUP

Wednesdays, 10AM & Fridays, 12PM

Our knitters make newborn and chemo caps among other charitable knitted and/or crocheted items. The hospitals we donate to are very grateful for our donations. We are continuously looking for additional help to keep up with the demand. Meet for coffee, conversation and needlework or stop by and pick up some patterns for our community projects. Novices and experienced knitters welcome.



WOODCARVING

Fridays, 10AM

\$1 Mem \$2 Non Mem

Tap your creative potential with a new hobby, Woodcarving. This group has a wealth of experience and multiple ideas to share. Bring your own project to work on or stop by and see what the buzz is all about.

SPINNING, WEAVING AND KNITTING (S.W.A.K.)

2nd and 4th Monday, 1PM

\$1 Mem \$2 Non Mem

Lakeview Room, Bay Court Park

We are primarily a social spinning group. We bring our spinning wheels and spin a fiber into yarn as we socialize. All are welcome. If you have always wanted to learn to spin, we will teach you. If you don't have a spinning wheel that is OK, we have drop spindles for you to use. Not sure what it is, drop by and we will show you. Most of the group also weave, knit and/or crochet.

TRADITIONAL JAZZ

Last Wednesday

1PM, Carriage House

\$1 MEM \$2 Non Mem

Traditional Jazz musicians get and jam. Everyone is invited to stop by the Carriage House and enjoy their music and sounds. If you are interested in joining the group, call Ernie May at 248-961-4954.

GROUP PIANO LESSONS LEVEL 3

Have you ever wanted to advance your piano playing skills? Find out how each chord can take you to the next level. Our experienced instructor, Paul Manners will guide you through, chord reading, proper technique, music theory, and repertoire. Join us and unlock your musical potential today! Call the Center to be added to our interested list.

ANYONE CAN PAINT

Tuesdays January 21 & February 18,
and Monday March 17, 9-11AM

\$23 Mem \$25 Non Mem per class



Join award winning television artist Steve Wood and learn his step-by-step methods and techniques for achieving successful paintings. Class is designed for any level of painting experience. All materials included.

JOIN US AT MY NEW FAVORITE THING

4755 Dixie Hwy, Waterford Township, MI 48329

Special in store discounts for Senior Day at My New Favorite Thing the Third Tuesday of every Month.

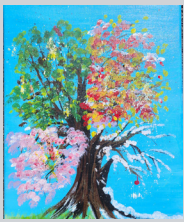


GLASS SUCCULENT

Tuesday, January 21, 1PM

\$42 Mem \$45 Non Mem

Create your own forever succulent plant that never needs watered or sunlight! The project will be a great keepsake for years to come. Choose from multiple colors of sea glass or recycled glass to match any decor. Make a 12" acacia wood tray with 3 x 3" terra cotta pots and colorful sea or recycled glass succulents or an 8.5" dish garden. All supplies are included. Grab your friends and favorite snack or beverage for a fun craft afternoon! Instructor: Great Lake Crafting.



FOUR SEASONS TREE

ACRYLIC PAINTING

Tuesday, February 18, 1-3PM

\$33 Mem \$35 Non Mem

Participants will complete this whimsical painting of a sturdy four-season tree.

The instructor will guide you through all the steps needed to complete this fun project using different strokes and techniques as you layer color throughout the project. All materials are included to complete an 11" x 14" canvas. Instructor: Robin LaFrance.



HELLO SPRING PORCH LEANER

Tuesday, March 18, 10AM-12PM

\$28 Mem \$30 Non Mem

Join us for this easy, relaxing, fun class and create a painted porch sign which measures 30" tall. Instructor: Julia Tibbs.



FOILING WORKSHOP

Tuesday, April 15, 1PM-3PM

\$15 Mem \$17 Non Mem

Foil printing is a specialty printing process which uses heat, pressure and metallic paper (foil). This is used to create different shiny designs and graphics on various materials. You will learn the art of Foiling and its endless uses. Make a 1 of a kind fall Bicycle to enjoy year-round. Choose from a large selection of foils to match your home décor and style. All supplies included. Instructor: Terri Hendren.

***Attendance and refund policy: Due to customization and timing of supplies, along with the popularity of workshops, your purchased registration is only good to for the class & date you registered for. It cannot be applied or switched to a future date or a future class. If you cannot make the class, you can send someone else in your place for that registered date/class (please send a permission by email or in writing). Make and take is not an option for most of our workshops due to supplies and equipment needed to complete your project, but we can make it for you to pick up at a later date. No refunds or account credits.*

EXERCISE AND FITNESS



When registering for a class, ask what the policy is for inclement weather cancellation. Each instructor has their own policy.

HEARTFULNESS MEDITATION

WEDNESDAYS, 6:30-7:15PM

Date: TBD

\$TBD MEM \$TBD NON MEM

Bring balance in your life and clarity to your mind. Relax – Meditate – Rejuvenate – Connect. A Certified Heartfulness Trainer will guide you to experience the subtle energy of Transmission, which awakens a deeper level of inner experience, authenticity, compassion, and awareness. Call the Center for class schedule.

GROUP EXERCISE

MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS, 9:30-10:30AM

January 6-February 24

(no class 1/20, 2/17 & 2/19)

\$78 Mem \$83 Non Mem

March 3-April 16

\$91 Mem \$96 Non Mem

Drop-in fee: \$9, Carriage House

This is a low impact physical activity program to reduce pain and decrease stiffness. This routine includes gentle range of motion exercises suitable for all fitness levels. Keep your joints flexible, muscles strong, improve balance, as well increase energy, and improve your overall outlook. Bring light hand weights.

BODY MANAGEMENT

MONDAYS & FRIDAYS, 11-11:50AM

Clarkston United Methodist Church

6600 Waldon Rd, Clarkton

January 6-31 (no class 1/20)

\$32 Mem \$37 Non Mem

February 3-21 (no class 2/17)

\$23 Mem \$28 Non Mem

March 3-31

\$41 Mem \$46 Non Mem

Drop-in fee: \$7

Come join the FUN while stretching, toning, and moaning in this light exercise class. It is a great class to get limber and fit while exercising with new friends. Please bring your smile, wear comfortable clothing and shoes.

TAI CHI

Mondays, 11AM-12PM

January 6-March 24 (no class 1/20 & 2/17)

April 7-June 16 (no class 5/26)

\$65 Mem \$70 Non Mem

Drop-in fee: \$9, Carriage House

Wednesdays, 11AM-12PM

January 8-March 26 (no class 1/22 & 2/19)

April 9-June 18 (no class 5/28)

\$65 Mem \$70 Non Mem

Drop-in fee: \$9, Carriage House

Classes include warm-up and focused exercises, as well as learning the Wu Style form of sequenced postures. Tai Chi Chuan is a soft-style Chinese martial art. The slow, repetitive, and circular movements open internal circulation to improve strength, agility, and balance. The forms gently move every muscle of the body through a complete and natural range of motion. Over time, students will see a reduction of stress with an increase of natural energy, coordination, and power of concentration. All classes are open to beginning and continuing students. Visit www.WuStyleRochester.com for more information.

CHAIR YOGA

Tuesdays, 1-2PM

January 7-February 11

February 25-April 1

April 15-May 20

\$39 Mem \$44 Non Mem

Drop-in fee: \$9

Carriage House

Thursdays, 1-2PM

January 9-February 13

February 27-April 3

April 17-May 22

\$39 Mem \$44 Non Mem

Drop-in fee: \$9

Lakeview Room, Bay Court Park



If you can breathe, you can do Yoga. This class is for those who are unable or are uncomfortable using a

traditional yoga mat on the floor. It is done from a seated position on a chair. Offers wonderful health benefits including greater flexibility, better muscle tone, improved breathing, lowers blood pressure, improves balance, reduces stress, and improves mental clarity.

ADAPTIVE YOGA

Tuesdays, 9-10AM

January 7-February 18

February 25-April 8

April 15-May 27

\$46 Mem \$51 Non Mem

Drop-in fee: \$9, Carriage House

This class adapts Yoga to all types of bodies and abilities. Optional use of light hand weights, stability balls, and strap or tie. Bring weights, strap, and yoga mat to class.

LINE DANCING

Mondays, 10AM-12:15PM

Bartsch Hall

\$5 Mem \$6 Non Mem



Dance to country, waltz, cha-cha and rock & roll. Line dance has shown to improve both physical and cognitive function. Instructor Judy Baldak teaches the moves and will have you in the groove in no time. Beginner to advanced, all skill levels welcome to this ongoing program.

Are you looking to try a class or can't commit to a full session? All classes do have a drop-in option. Call the Center for details.

**Drop-in fees will only be honored when the minimum number of participants has been met and maximum number of participants has not been met.*

Alzheimer's Support Group

This monthly support group for individuals who care for those with Alzheimer's disease and other related dementias is led by Elizabeth Risner, OTA/L, a certified dementia practitioner, and sponsored by the Alzheimer's Association. Learn about resources and share with others who really understand.

THIRD WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH
3PM
CARRIAGE HOUSE
SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER



SPORTS

INDOOR PICKLEBALL

MONDAY-FRIDAY, 9AM-12PM.

Mt. Zion Community Center,
1585 Crescent Lake Road, Waterford, MI 48327

Call the Senior Community Center for schedule.

TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
9AM-12PM	5 Punch Card \$20	5 Punch Card \$25
	10 Punch Card \$36	10 Punch Card \$45
	20 Punch Card \$68	20 Punch Card \$85

Drop-in Fee: \$5 (Cash only) paid on site

Punch Cards purchased for Outdoor Pickleball cannot be used for Indoor Pickleball.

Punch Cards can be purchased at the Senior Community Center payable by cash, check or credit card or by calling 248-625-8231 payable by credit card.

OUTDOOR PICKLEBALL

Monday-Saturday Time: 8:30AM-11:30AM

Clintonwood Park Outdoor Courts,
6000 Clarkston Road
8 Outdoor Courts

Call the Senior Community Center for schedule.
Organized play begins in April, weather permitting.

PICKLEBALL LESSONS

Do you want to learn the game or improve your skills? Keep a look out for additional lessons in our April/May/June Be engAGED newsletter for lesson dates.

BEGINNER PICKLEBALL LESSONS

Clintonwood Park Outdoor Courts

6000 Clarkston Road

April 21 & 23, 2-4PM

April 22 & 24, 3-5PM

May 20 & 22, 5-7PM


May 27 & 29, 12-2PM


\$45 Mem \$50 Non Mem per 2 class session


Introduction to pickleball will cover basic rules, grip, shots (dinks, ground strokes, placement, serves) scoring and play. Paddles and balls will be provided (bring your own paddle if you have one). Minimum number of 4 people registered to run a session. Call the Senior Community Center to register at 248-625-8231.


DAY TRIPS

DAYTRIP ENDURANCE LEVEL KEY

 To better assist our travelers in knowing how much physical endurance is required for each trip, we have come up with the following key code.

 Little walking and physical endurance (Ex. going to a lunch or play.)

 Moderate physical endurance necessary. Walking with little stops and some stairs possible (Ex. Tour of a museum where rest stops are available along the way)

 Strong physical endurance. Walking with uneven surfaces and climbing of more than one flight of stairs (Ex. Walking Club)

DAYTRIP ENDURANCE LEVEL

Date	Destination	Endurance Level
January 18, 2025	Gone 2 Paradise	Little to Moderate
February 26, 2025	The Angel Next Door	Little to Moderate
March 12, 2025	Firekeepers Casino	Little to Moderate
March 14, 2025	La Vida Loca - DSO	Little to Moderate
March 25, 2025	Henry Ford Museum	Moderate to Strong
April 2, 2025	Vanities, the Musical	Little to Moderate
April 16, 2025	Soaring Eagle Casino	Little to Moderate
April 25, 2025	Women Rock - DSO	Little to Moderate
April 30, 2025	Rat Pack Lounge	Little to Moderate
May 7, 2025	My Mother	Little to Moderate
May 22, 2025	Hamilton	Little to Moderate
June 4, 2025	Shear Madness	Little to Moderate
June 10, 2025	Fiesta Detroit!	Little to Moderate

GENERAL TRIP INFORMATION

- Once tickets are purchased for a day trip, if you are unable to attend, a refund can only be processed for you if we can replace you with someone on our waiting list.
- A waiting list is started whenever day trip or special event becomes full. If you are unable to attend a day trip or special event after you register, contact the Center so that the next person on the waiting list will have a chance to attend.
- If you have a specific food allergy, please provide us with that information upon registration.
- Requests for handicap seating for concerts/theatre trips and/or special accommodations for extended trips must be made at registration.
- In the event you will be taking a wheelchair or walker on a trip, please let us know when you register.
- Since guidelines differ with each travel company, electric wheelchairs and scooters must be discussed with the Travel Coordinator upon registration.
- Medical forms and waivers must be completed by all participants prior to departing for a day trip or participating in a program.
- Plan to be at the Center a minimum of 15-20 minutes prior to departure time for trips.
- Parking for trips is available in the dirt parking lot on the East side of the Carriage House.
- For any trip that crosses the border to Canada, proper ID is required. You must have an enhanced driver's license or a passport, and no prior arrests-otherwise you will be asked to exit the motor coach.
- Independence Township Parks Recreation & Seniors reserves the right to request that any person needing assistance when participating in our programs be accompanied by a personal escort. A paid reservation must be made for the escort.

WE APPRECIATE OUR TRAVEL SPONSORS!



Choose to travel with the Independence Township Senior Community Center. We provide a variety of safe, escorted travel options for exploring close to home and beyond!

**REGISTRATION FOR ALL DAYTRIPS
(EXCEPT GONE TO PARADISE)
BEGINS JANUARY 2, 2025.**

GONE 2 PARADISE – CELEBRATING THE MUSIC OF JIMMY BUFFET

Saturday, January 18, 2025

\$89 Mem \$94 Non Mem

Departs: 6:30PM Returns: 10:30PM

**REGISTRATION
OPEN NOW!**



From the shores of Lake Michigan to the sun-kissed Beaches of Hawaii, Gone-2-Paradise has delighted audiences across the country with their authentic renditions of Jimmy Buffet's greatest hits.

Whether you are a long time Parrot Head or simply looking to escape the winter weather for an evening, this U.S. based tribute band promises an evening of pure tropical bliss that will leave you feeling like you've truly gone to paradise. You are encouraged to dress in tropical attire! Includes concert ticket and motorcoach transportation.

BROADWAY LOVE SONGS - DSO

Friday, February 14, 2025

\$80 Mem \$85 Non Mem

Departs: 9:15AM Returns: 3:30PM

The Detroit Symphony Orchestra plus an all-star cast of vocalists perform Broadway's heart-on-sleeve classics featuring timeless songs by Rogers and Hammerstein and more. Includes main floor seating and mini-bus transportation.

THE ANGEL NEXT DOOR MEADOWBROOK THEATER

Wednesday, February 26, 2025

\$94 Mem \$99 Non Mem

Departs: 11:30AM Returns: 5PM

It's 1948, in a ritzy Newport mansion populated by playwrights, actors, a young star-struck author, and the housekeeper who would like all of them to leave. When their weekend getaway goes horribly awry, only a play within the play can save the day. A screwball comedy that's in love with theater, about people in love with theater, who know that sometimes even reality needs a re-write to reach a happy ending. Includes theater ticket, lunch prior to the performance at Finnegans and minibus transportation.



FIREKEEPERS CASINO

Wednesday, March 12, 2025

\$62 Mem \$67 Non Mem

Departs: 8:45AM Returns: 6:15PM

Receive \$25.00 in slot credit and \$5.00 to be used for food, slot play or in the gift shop. Motorcoach transportation.

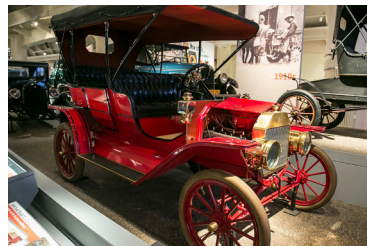
LA VIDA LOCA – DSO

Friday, March 14, 2025

\$75 Mem \$80 Non Mem

Departs: 9:15AM Returns: 3:30PM

Get on your feet and let's get loud with the greatest hits of the 90's and 00's Latin pop explosion! La Vida Loca celebrates artists including Enrique Iglesias, Gloria Estefan, Santana, Ricky Martin and more. Led by charismatic Pops conductor Enrico Lopez-Yanez along with grammy award winning musicians and world-renowned vocalists. Lunch stop on your own after the concert.



HENRY FORD FEATURING THE HENRY FORD MUSEUM AND ROUGE FACTORY

Tuesday, March 25, 2025

\$165 Mem \$170 Non Mem

Departs: 7:15AM Returns: 5:45PM

Start the day with a walk through the Legacy Gallery and Electric Vehicle Display and look back at the iconic vehicles manufactured at the Rouge Complex, all while looking ahead to automaking's electric future. Next stop is an included buffet lunch at Ford's Garage which includes Mama Ford's meatloaf, Chicken Henry, garden salad, green beans, mashed garlic redskin potatoes and Saunders Bumpy Cake for dessert. After lunch, enjoy a visit to the Henry Ford Museum which you will experience the strides of America's greatest minds while fully immersing yourself in their stories. Motorcoach transportation. This trip involves a considerable amount of walking.

VANITIES, THE MUSICAL MEADOWBROOK THEATER

Wednesday, April 2, 2025

\$85 Mem \$90 Non Mem

Departs: 11:30AM Returns: 5PM

The life affirming journey of three vivacious Texas teens from cheerleaders to sorority sisters to housewives to liberated women and beyond. This musical captures a snapshot of the lives, loves, disappointments and dreams of these young women. A funny and poignant look at three best friends who discover that, through thirty years of rapidly changing times, the one thing they can rely on is each other. Trip includes theater ticket, lunch prior to the performance at Kruse and Muir and mini-bus transportation.

SOARING EAGLE CASINO

Wednesday, April 16, 2025

\$45 Mem \$50 Non Mem

Departs: 9AM Returns: 6PM

Receive \$20.00 in gaming and \$10.00 in food. Motorcoach transportation.

WOMEN ROCK – DSO

Friday, April 25, 2025

\$75 Mem \$80 Non Mem

Departs: 9:15AM Returns: 3:30PM

This is a great set of legends. The Pops and special guests perform rock hits by Carole King, Janis Joplin, Aretha Franklin, Pat Benatar, Tina Turner, and more, including "What's Love Got to do With It," "Proud Mary," "Piece of my Heart," "Love Is a Battlefield," and "Flashdance." Lunch stop on your own after the concert. Mini-bus transportation.

RAT PACK LOUNGE MEADOWBROOK THEATER

Wednesday, April 30, 2025

\$101 Mem \$106 Non Mem

Departs: 11:30AM Returns: 5PM

Frank, Dean and Sammy are up in heaven, but God tells them they left some unfinished business back on Earth. It seems Frank made an unfulfilled promise to Vic, the owner of the Rat Pack Lounge. Now he and the boys have one night to make things right. With hits like "My Way," "What Kind of Fool Am I?" and "Everybody Loves Somebody Sometime," this show will leave you singing and savoring the days of highballs and high rollers. Trip includes theater ticket, lunch prior to the performance at Alfocchino and mini-bus transportation.



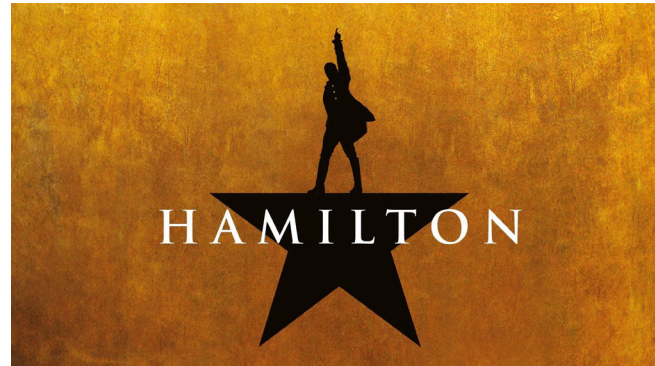
MY MOTHER AND THE MICHIGAN/OHIO WAR

Wednesday, May 7, 2025

\$154 Mem \$159 Non Mem

Departs: 10:30AM Returns: 6:45PM

Enjoy lunch at Weber's Restaurant, an Ann Arbor tradition serving timeless fare from their kitchen and bakery since 1937. Meal choices are caramelized salmon or Tuscan pan-seared chicken. After lunch we head to the Purple Rose Theater, founded in 1991 by acclaimed actor and Chelsea native Jeff Daniels. We will see the world premier, My Mother and the Michigan/Ohio War. Izzy's history buff husband, Freddy had a dream; a full-scale reenactment of the Michigan-Ohio War. When a bizarre paper mache accident leaves Izzy a widow, she calls on her Wolverine daughter and Buckeye son to see Freddy's vision realized. Historical becomes hysterical in this comedy about family, football and the fight for the Toledo strip. Motorcoach transportation.



HAMILTON

Thursday, May 22, 2025

\$175 Mem \$180 Non Mem

Departs: 11:30AM Returns: 8:15PM

This is what you have been waiting for! We are traveling to the Wharton Center in Lansing today to see the hit musical, Hamilton! This Broadway musical is about the life of one of America's founding fathers, Alexander Hamilton. It is widely admired for its diverse cast, unique and varied soundtrack and for inspiring a frenzy of historical interest. Trip includes main floor seats and motorcoach transportation. After the show, we will stop for dinner on your own at Cracker Barrel.

SHEAR MADNESS MEADOWBROOK THEATER

Wednesday, June 4, 2025

\$101 Mem \$106 Non Mem

Departs: 11:30AM Returns: 5PM

This unique comedy-whodunit takes place today in the "Shear Madness" hair salon and is chock full of up-to-the minute spontaneous humor. During the action, a murder is committed, the audience gets to spot the clues, question the suspects and solve the funniest mystery in the annals of crime. The outcome is never the same, which is why many audience members return again and again. Trip includes theater ticket, and lunch at Loccino. Mini-bus transportation



FIESTA DETROIT

Tuesday, June 10, 2025

\$125 Mem \$130 Non Mem

Departs: 8AM Returns: 3:30PM

Join us for this multicultural tour highlighting the diversity of our great city. We will pick up our step on guide and visit areas including Delray, Corktown, Mexicantown and sections of the city where various ethnic groups resided. We will visit the magnificent murals of Elton Monroe Duran in Southwest Detroit. Lunch is included in Mexican Village in Detroit's oldest restaurant. You will have the choice of the Village Combination which is two ground beef tacos (one soft shell and one hard shell,) one bean and cheese tostada, one cheese enchilada and one chicken flat with sour cream or the Arizonian. which is one beef chimichanga, one ground beef and cheese burrito, one flour ground beef taco and one ground beef and cheese enchilada. Everyone will get Mexican fried ice cream and choice of coffee, tea or soda. The day is complete with shopping time at the Mexican Town Bakery. Motorcoach transportation.

DAYTRIPS ON THE HORIZON

DIA – MELODIES AT THE MUSEUM – APRIL 2025

LET'S MISBEHAVE – DSO – JUNE 2025

SAUGATUCK – JULY 2025

DETROIT PRINCESS – AUGUST 2025

ALWAYS COME BACK – PURPLE ROSE – AUGUST 2025

PIONEER WINE TOUR – SEPTEMBER 2025

GENETTI'S – OCTOBER 2025

DETROIT TRAIN STATION AND PARADE COMPANY – NOVEMBER 2025

DETROIT TIGER GAMES - JUNE AND SEPTEMBER

EXTENDED TRIPS

Please Note: Beginning May 7, 2025, Michigan residents will be required to present a REAL ID compliant document to fly within the United States and enter certain federal facilities.

The following contain brief descriptions of each trip. Please stop by the Senior Community Center and pick up a detailed flyer. PLEASE NOTE: ALL PRICES ARE PER PERSON.

DISCOVER AUSTRALIA'S OUTBACK TO NEW ZEALAND'S SOUTH ISLAND

March 26-April 14, 2025

Double: \$10,249*

Single: \$12,249*

Triple: \$10,149*

Trip of a lifetime! Enjoy 20 days, 28 meals, round trip air, inter-flights from Sydney Kingsford Smith Airport, air taxes and hotel transfers. Highlights include Sydney, Sydney Opera House, Cairns, Great Barrier Reef, Alice Springs, Uluru, Melbourne, Queenstown, Milford Sound, Mt. Cook National Park, Christchurch and much more.

Deposit: \$698

Balance Due: January 25, 2025

Optional Cancellation Insurance is available @ \$599 per person and is due and payable with your deposit.

To request a link to a short video presentation, please email mmelega@indtwp.com and include the name of the trip with your request.

GREAT TRAINS AND GRAND CANYONS

May 4-9, 2025

Double: \$3,449 (with booking discount)

Single: \$4,324 (with booking discount)

If you are looking for a rail journey, this is your trip! This late Spring trip includes the Grand Canyon Railway and Verde Canyon Railroad, Grand Canyon National Park, Oak Creek Canyon, Sedona Trolley tour, Chapel of the Holy Cross, Tlaquepaque and Uptown Sedona, Montezuma Castle, Jerome and the Chuckwagon Supper and Show. Includes round trip air, transportation to and from airport, 5 nights lodging at Sedona Resort Hotel, 5 breakfasts, 3 dinners, professional tour director, hotel transfers and baggage handling.

Deposit: \$400

Balance Due: February 3, 2025

Optional Cancellation Insurance is available @ \$375 per person and is payable with deposit.

GREAT CANADIAN CITIES GANANOQUE & THOUSAND ISLANDS, MONTREAL, QUEBEC CITY AND OTTAWA "CAPITAL OF CANADA"

May 18-25, 2025

Double: \$3,099

Single: \$4,399

Triple: \$2,799

(Additional \$10 for Non Mem)

This wonderful trip features 2 nights accommodations at the world-renowned Chateau Frontenac, Canada's most beloved 5-star hotel where you will experience luxury and elegance with a commanding view of Quebec City. Trip includes 1 night in Gananoque 2 nights in Montreal, 2 nights in Quebec City and 2 nights in Ottawa. Includes 5 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 3 dinners. Tours included are 1000 Island cruise with lunch, Montreal sightseeing tour, Notre Dame Basilica, St. Joseph Oratory, Mount Royal, Ste. Anne de Beaupre, Montmorency Falls, sightseeing tour of Quebec City, Rideau Canal dinner cruise, sightseeing tour of Ottawa and Byward Market. Includes motorcoach transportation, luggage handling and tax and tip on included meals.

Deposit: \$500

Balance Due: March 18, 2025

Optional Cancellation Insurance is available @ \$250 per person and is payable with deposit.

Note: A passport, passport card or enhanced license is required for travel into Canada and re-entry to the U.S.



ARK ENCOUNTER

June 11-13, 2025

Double: \$850

Single: \$1,100

Triple: \$775

Quad: \$725

(Additional \$10 for Non Mem)

Trip includes Ark Encounter & Creation Museum admissions, Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Gardens Admission, 2 nights hotel accommodations, breakfast each morning and dinner cruise. Deluxe motorcoach transportation with snacks and water on board.

Deposit: \$100

Balance Due: May 9, 2025

Optional Cancellation Insurance is available through www.excitetours.com/insurance.

MISSISSIPPI RIVER CRUISE AMERICA'S AUTHENTIC MISSISSIPPI RIVER EXPERIENCE

July 14-17, 2025

Double: \$1,399

Single: \$1,699

Triple: \$1,159

(Additional \$10 for Non Mem)

Back by popular demand! Trip includes all day cruise on the Celebration Belle, National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium, Field of Dreams movie site and the New Melleray Abbey Monastery. Tour also includes 1 night in Moline, Illinois, 2 nights in Dubuque, Iowa, 3 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 2 dinners, motorcoach transportation, luggage handling and all tax and tips on included meals.

Deposit: \$200

Balance Due: May 14, 2025

Optional Cancellation Insurance is available @ \$115 per person and is payable with deposit.

SHIPSHEWANA OVERNIGHT

July 29-30, 2025

Double: \$380

Single: \$470

Triple: \$320

(Additional \$10 for Non Mem)

Trip includes one night accommodation at the Blue Gate Garden Inn, family style Amish dinner at the Blue Gate Restaurant, included breakfast, included lunch at Hoosier Banquets, Linton's Enchanted Gardens, Dutch Country Market, Teaberry Wood Products and the Shipshewana Flea Market. Motorcoach transportation.

Deposit: \$100

Balance Due: June 15, 2025

Optional Cancellation Insurance is available through Travelex. Brochures will be provided to you upon registration.

DISCOVER SCOTLAND

August 9-18, 2025

Double: \$5,699*

Single: \$6,999*

***If booked before February 10, 2025**

This trip features the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo. Additional highlights include Bagpipe Demonstration, Whiskey Tasting, Island of Skye, Loch Ness, Orkney Islands, Dunrobin Castle Culloden Battlefield, Sheepdog Demonstration, Edinburgh Castle, Scottish Cooking Demonstration and much more! Includes accommodations in Glasgow, Ballachulish, Wick, Grantown-on-Spey and Edinburgh, 15 meals, roundtrip airfare, air taxes and fees/surcharges, hotel transfers and transportation to and from airport.

Deposit: \$698
Balance Due: May 11, 2025
 Optional Cancellation Insurance is available @ \$549 per person and is due and payable with your deposit.
 Optional 5 Days 3 Night London Pre-Tour Extension at \$1,399 per person double occupancy and \$1,899 per person single occupancy.



NATIONAL PARKS OF AMERICA

September 10-21, 2025

Double: \$5,999 (with booking discount)

Single: \$7,899 (with booking discount)

Highlights include Scottsdale, Grand Canyon, Lake Powell, Zion, Bryce Canyon, Salt Lake City, Jackson Hole, Grand Teton & Yellowstone National Parks, Old Faithful, Sheridan Bighorn Mountains, Crazy Horse Memorial and Mount Rushmore. Includes roundtrip airfare, hotel transfers, 16 meals and transportation to and from the airport.

Deposit: \$698
Balance Due: June 12, 2025
 Optional Cancellation Insurance is available @ \$429 per person and is payable with deposit.

CAPE COD & MARTHA'S VINEYARD & SALEM WITCH EXPERIENCE

September 12-19, 2025

Double: \$2,799

Single: \$3,299

Triple: \$1,999

(Additional \$10 for Non Mem)

Highlights include 2 nights enroute in Pennsylvania, 2 nights in Salem, Massachusetts area, 3 nights in Cape Cod at the Red Jacket Oceanfront Resort, 7 breakfasts, 4 dinners, modern motorcoach transportation, luggage handling and tax and tips on included meals. Tours include Bill's Bike Barn, Salem Historic Trolley, Salem Witch Museum, House of 7 Gables, Peabody Essex Museum, Tour of Cape Cod – Hyannis, Provincetown Whale Watch Cruise, Round-trip ferry to Martha's Vineyard, tour of Martha's Vineyard, New Bedford Whaling Museum and the Houdini Museum and Magic Show.

Deposit: \$200
Balance Due: June 12, 2025
 Optional Cancellation Insurance is available @ \$175 per person and is payable with deposit.



GRAND EXPERIENCE 2025

September 28 – October 1, 2025

Double: \$TBD

Single: \$TBD

Triple: \$TBD

Mark your calendar! We have the dates! Don't miss this opportunity to join us for this yearly "Pure Michigan" tradition. Pricing and registration date information will be provided in the April, May, June 2025 newsletter.



RAILS, THE POCONO MOUNTAINS & GETTYSBURG "FALL COLOR GETAWAY"

October 13-17, 2025

Double: \$1,799

Single: \$2,249

Triple: \$1,629

(Additional \$10 for Non Mem)

Includes 4 nights lodging, 4 breakfasts, 3 lunches and 2 dinners. Highlights include Jim Thorpe Trolley Tour, Linda Ronstadt Tribute @ Penn's Peak, Lehigh Gorge Scenic Railway, America on Wheels Museum, American Treasure Museum, Colebrookdale Railroad Lunch Train, Valley Forge National Park, Gettysburg Visitor Center and Guided Tour of Gettysburg Battlefield. Includes motorcoach transportation, luggage handling, tax and tips on included meals and gratuities for step-on guides.

Deposit: \$200
Balance Due: August 13, 2025
 Optional Cancellation Insurance is available @ \$145 per person and is payable with deposit.

BURGUNDY & PROVENCE FRANCE RIVER CRUISE

October 28-November 5, 2025

Double: \$5,145 to \$6,845 (with booking discount - pricing for each deck see flyer)

Single: \$6,545 to \$9,545 (with booking discount - pricing for each deck see flyer)

This beautiful trip features 7 nights aboard the Amadeus Provence (140 passenger offering amenities of a floating 5-star hotel.) Trip highlights include Beaune Tour with Hotel-Dieu & burgundy wine tasting experience. Macon and Beaujolais Wine Museum and Tasting, Lyon City tour, Avignon walking tour and Palace of Popes and Arles walking tour with Roman Amphitheatre. Includes roundtrip airfare, 20 meals, wine and beer with dinners, tour director, welcome and farewell dinners, baggage handling, taxes and port charges and roundtrip ship transfers,

Deposit: \$600 **Balance Due:** July 28, 2025

Optional Cancellation Insurance is available @ \$499 per person and is payable with deposit. Optional 2 Night - Paris Post Cruise Extension available @ \$950 per person double

HAUNTED HAPPENINGS

October 30-31, 2025

Double: \$450

Single: \$525

Triple: \$426

(Additional \$10 for Non Mem)

Take this spooky trip to Northeast Ohio. Includes overnight accommodations, motorcoach transportation, one breakfast, one lunch and one dinner. Highlights include the Ohio State Reformatory, Cayahoga Railroad, and Murder Mystery "Who dun it" show with lunch.

Deposit: \$100 **Balance Due:** September 15, 2025

Optional Cancellation Insurance is available through Travelex. Brochures will be provided to you upon registration.

GRACELAND & TUPELO BUS TOUR

November 9-14, 2025

Double: \$2,100

Single: \$2,750

Triple: \$1,800

Quad: \$1,650

(Additional \$10 for Non Mem)

We're "All Shook Up" about this new trip that is everything Elvis! Trip includes 3 nights stay at the Graceland Guest House, 2 enroute hotels, the Elvis Experience Tour, Sun Studio Tour, an evening on Beale Street and day trip to Tupelo. Breakfast each day, 1 dinner cruise and 1 group lunch. Luxury motorcoach transportation provided.

Deposit: \$50

Balance Due: October 8, 2025

Optional Cancellation Insurance is available www.excitetours.com/insurance.



ROSE PARADE NEW YEAR'S

December 30, 2025-January 4, 2026

Double: \$3,899 (with booking discount)

Single: \$4,649 (with booking discount)

Here's one for your bucket list! Highlights include New Year's Eve Dinner Party, Tournament of Roses Parade, Lunch at Lawry's in Beverly Hills, Showcase of Floats, Richard Nixon Library and Museum, Hollywood and Beverly Hills Tour, Rodeo Drive, Grauman's Chinese Theater, Hollywood's Walk of Fame, Mission San Juan Capistrano, Newport Beach and Laguna Beach, San Diego City Tour and San Diego Harbor Cruise. Includes roundtrip air, roundtrip transfers, 9 meals, 5 nights lodging at the Hilton Orange County/Costa Mesa, professional tour director, hotel transfers, motorcoach transportation and sightseeing and admissions per itinerary.

Deposit: \$400

Balance Due: October 1, 2025

Optional Cancellation Insurance is available @ \$375 per person and is payable with deposit.

TROPICAL COSTA RICA

February 10-18, 2026

Double: \$2,999*

Single: \$3,499*

Triple: \$2,969*

***If booked before August 10, 2025**

Perfect Winter getaway! Highlights include San Jose, Coffee Plantation, Arenal Volcano, Cano Negro Refuge, Lake Arenal Cruise, Farm Tour and Lunch, Monteverde Cloud Forest, Choice on Tour of Monteverde Hanging Bridges or Canopy Adventure, Guanacaste. Trip includes round trip air, hotel accommodations, 8 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 5 dinners.

Deposit: \$698

Balance Due: November 12, 2025

Optional Cancellation Insurance is available @ \$549 per person and is due and payable with your deposit.

Optional 4 Day 3 Night Jungle Adventure Pre-Tour Extension \$999 Double, \$1,199 Single (land only).

LOOKING AHEAD TO 2026 EXTENDED TRAVEL "IN THE WORKS"

ARIZONA SPRING TRAINING EXPLORER – MARCH 2026
SPAIN'S CLASSICS AND PORTUGAL – APRIL 28 – MAY 12, 2026
ICELAND EXPLORER – LATE MAY/EARLY JUNE 2026
COLORADO ROCKIES – JUNE 2026
LONDON & PARIS – SEPTEMBER 2026
TREASURES OF IRELAND – OCTOBER 2026
HAWAII – NOVEMBER 2026
SAN ANTONIO HOLIDAY – DECEMBER 2026

PLEASE DO NOT LET THIS HAPPEN!

Cancellation of Day and Extended Trips can be avoided.

Deadlines are very important for planning purposes, for the Senior Community Center staff, for travel companies and instructors. Please avoid disappointments by registering early!
Thank you!

DETAILED FLYERS FOR ALL THE EXTENDED TRAVEL TRIPS ARE AVAILABLE BY CALLING THE CENTER.

If you are interested in a trip that is Wait Listed, please call the Center at 248-625-8231 and add your name and number to the List. We refer to this list when cancellations occur.

The Independence Township Senior Community Center will comply with the spirit and intent of the Americans with Disabilities Act. We will provide and make reasonable accommodations to assist people with disabilities to access our facilities and participate in our programs and services.

Those who require assistance on a day, overnight or extended trip must bring a companion with them.

PLEASE NOTE:

In an effort to assist you in the most efficient manner, registrations for the following extended trips need to be handled by the Travel Coordinator, Mary Melega. Please contact the office at (248) 625-8231 to make an appointment.

Australia and New Zealand
Great Trains and Grand Canyons
Discover Scotland
National Parks of America
Burgundy Provence France River Cruise
Bluegrass Country & Smoky Mountains
Rose Parade New Year's
Tropical Costa Rica

SENIOR SERVICES

AARP INCOME TAX PREPARATION ASSISTANCE

Fridays, February 7-April 11, 2025

Senior Community Center, Bartsch Hall

AARP trained volunteers will prepare federal and state returns. This service is offered to seniors and low-income individuals. **Due to high demand, appointments will be scheduled beginning January 7, 2025 for members, Independence Twp., Springfield Twp., and Village of Clarkston residents.** Calls from other individuals will be received beginning **January 14, 2025.** Appointment times are 9:00am, 10:00am, 11:00am or 12:00pm. There is no charge for this service, but a donation to the Senior Center is appreciated.

Bring the following information to your tax appointment:

- A copy of the last year's (2024) completed tax return.
- **Social Security cards for you, your spouse and dependents. Social Security cards or Social Security statements MUST be shown to complete tax returns. Picture identification must also be shown!**
- A record of the amount of Social Security monies received in 2024 (form SSA-1099).
- A statement of wages/income from employment or other income received in 2024 (from pensions, annuities or IRAs).
- A record of any "General Assistance" received.
- All 1099 forms listing interest and/or dividends earned.
- **A record of the amount paid for health insurance other than Medicare. If you have health insurance through the Marketplace, you must have Form 1095-A.**
- Your 2024 Property Tax Statements.
- A record of the amount of rent or mortgage payments paid in 2024.
- A record of the total heating bill for 2024 (Your December or January bill should show your total cost for the year).
- Year-end statement from your employer received in December, which shows the amount of total Medical paid for the year.

Please Note: The tax assistants are AARP trained volunteers, not accountants. Complex returns may be refused. You are responsible for accuracy and retention of all information and tax records.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

January 14 "How Do I Go On Without Them?"
February 11 "The Six Needs of Mourning"
March 11 "Coping With The Loss of a Child"
7PM, Carriage House

Healing Hearts Grief Support Group is for adults who have lost a loved one. A bereavement counselor from Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home will facilitate the group. For additional information contact Lewis E. Wint Funeral Home at 248-625-5231 or email wintfuneralhome@gmail.com.



CHORE PROGRAM SNOW REMOVAL ASSISTANCE

Low income seniors needing assistance with snow removal may be eligible for help through the Chore Program. Must reside in a home in Independence Township or the Village of Clarkston. Contact Patty Collins for more information.



COMMUNITY IMPACT TEAM

Volunteers will assist seniors in our area with yard work and home repair projects. Consider volunteering to help make a difference in our community! Or, if you need assistance with yard work or home repair projects, submit the online application at www.thecommunityimpactteam.org or contact Patty Collins at 248-625-8231. Preference will be given to low-income seniors.

FOOD ASSISTANCE



Lighthouse, TEFAP, Oakland Hope, Forgotten Harvest and local churches provide food assistance in our area. For more information call Patty Collins.

PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIP

Funds are available to expand access to senior center programs and activities for lower income seniors. Scholarship monies may apply to Thursday lunches, exercise classes, enrichment activities, educational programs and van transportation. Contact Patty, the Senior Services Coordinator, for more information. Sponsored by FITSAAC.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Interested in providing access to food to seniors in need? Help is needed to pick up food items from a local church and deliver to one or two homes the second Saturday of the month. Commitment is only for the dates you are available. Contact Patty Collins for more information.

HEARING SCREENINGS



**Mondays, January 27,
February 24, &
March 24
1:30-3:30PM
Carriage House**

Free hearing screenings are available! Oakland Audiology will provide hearing screenings and answer your questions. Please call to schedule an appointment.

HOMEBOUND MEALS ON WHEELS

Meals on Wheels are delivered five days per week for homebound residents of Clarkston and Independence Township. Hot meals are available five days a week to adults 60 and over and to people with short or long-term disabilities living in Independence Township and Clarkston. Frozen meals for the weekend are delivered on Friday: cost share \$4.00 per meal. To sign up contact the Older Persons Commission (OPC) at 248-608-0264 or for more information call the Center at 248-625-8231. The OPC Senior Center in Rochester provides this service to Independence Township and Clarkston through a grant with the Area Agency on Aging 1B.

**NEW IN 2025
COST SHARE
\$4.00**

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT LOAN

PICKUP: Call to determine availability of equipment and schedule a pickup time. \$25 CASH deposit required to borrow wheelchairs, seated walkers and transfer benches. \$10 CASH deposit required to borrow shower chairs. If the item is not returned within 6 months, the money will be considered a donation to the Senior Community Center, unless a time extension is requested. Adult incontinence products may also be available.

DROP OFF: WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY 1:30 – 4PM with prior approval. Donations only accepted with prior approval. Returned/donated items must be in good condition, cleaned and sanitized. We do not accept medications or medical supplies.

TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM



**NORTH OAKLAND
TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**
Website: www.ridenota.org
Email: mjoslyn@ridenota.org
675 S Glaspie, Oxford, MI 48371
248-693-7100

**Hours of Operation: Monday to Friday 6AM to 9PM
Saturday 8AM-4PM (Local limited service)
Sunday 8AM-2PM (Local limited service)**

Service Area/Scheduling Policy: – Call (248) 693-7100,
Monday to Friday 8AM to 5PM

Please call at least 72 hours and up to one month in
advance for best availability.

All rides will be \$2 each/per stop within our service area.
Riders must be ready 15 minutes prior to pick-up time.
Drivers have a 15-minute window either side of pick-up time.
Voicemail is not available to schedule rides only cancellations.

VISITING PODIATRIST

Dr. Bruce Tabak, D.P.M.

**Wednesday, January 8, February 12 & March 12
9-11:30AM**

Basic nail care, trimming, treatment of ingrown nails,
calluses, corns and pressure sores plus more complicated
foot problems. Contact Dr. Tabak's office at 248-628-1880
for answers regarding insurance coverage. Call the Senior
Community Center to schedule an appointment time.

LAKESHORE LEGAL AID

FREE legal help for seniors (60+). This organization provides
assistance with family matters, housing issues, consumer
matters, wills and durable powers of attorney. They are
unable to help with criminal law or traffic-related issues.
Call the Counsel & Advocacy law line at 888-783-8190 or
visit online at lakeshorelegalaid.org for more information.

MINOR HOME REPAIR PROGRAM

This program is designed to help low-income households
to complete repairs of no more than \$5,000 to a single unit
residence. The repairs can include replacing furnaces,
water heaters, roofs and other minor repairs. To qualify, you
must be a resident of Independence Township or the City of
the Village of Clarkston, low income, and the owner of the
home in need of repair. Call Theresa at 248-625-8231 for
additional information. Assistance for other home repairs
that do not qualify under these programs may be obtained by
calling Oakland County's program at 248-858-5401.

NOTARY SERVICE

The Senior Community Center offers a FREE notary service to
members of the Center. Call Theresa to schedule an appointment.

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

LITTLE FREE LIBRARY

Have you noticed the new Little Free Library outside of the
Senior Community Center? The little library is a "take a
book, share a book" free book exchange. Stop by anytime.
We would like to
extend a special thank
you to our volunteer
Peggy for her creative
artwork and volunteer
Dave for helping Tony
with installation.



Area Agency on Aging 1-B



SENIOR SERVICES

The Area Agency on Aging 1-B is now AgeWays! The
name has changed, but programs, staff, and phone
number remain the same. Call 800-852-7795 for
assistance from a resource specialist.

alzheimer's association®

To learn more about dementia and the available
educational programs, support groups and resources,
call 800-272-3900 or e-mail HelplineGMC@alz.org.

HOMEBOUND BOOK PROGRAM

Sponsored by the Clarkston Independence District Library
and the Senior Community Center, we offer free home
delivery of books and audio books to homebound adults.
For more info on the Home Delivery Service call the library
at 248-625-2212.

NURSE ON CALL

The Nurse on Call telephone service offers information
about health and related resources. Calls are answered
by Oakland County Health Division Public Health nurses.
Call 248-858-1280 between 8:30am – 5:00pm, Monday
through Friday.

PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE BACK

Resolve to dispose of unused, unneeded, or expired
medications to keep kids safe and our waterways clean.
Drop off medications at the Independence Township
Oakland County Sheriff's substation off Citation Drive,
MONDAY-FRIDAY, 7AM-3PM. No inhalers, needles or
liquids accepted.

EYEGASSES

The Lion's Club coordinates the collection and distribution
of used eyeglasses. These items are used for low-income
individuals who cannot afford to purchase eyeglasses.
Bring your donations to the senior center to help others.



ROPER LOCK BOX

The Independence Twp. Fire Department offers a secure and affordable way to gain access into a residence during an emergency without

having to damage doors or windows. A Roper Lock Box is a small box installed on a hanging bracket that fits over the top of the door and holds a key to the entry door. The Roper Lock Box is locked and unlocked using a key that only fire department personnel have access to use. In an emergency, fire department personnel would unlock the Roper Lock Box and use the stored key to unlock your entry door. Contact Lt. Greg Brandt of the Independence Twp. Fire Department at 248-519-4402 or gbrandt@independencetwp.org for more information or go to www.roperlock.com.

FRIENDS OF THE INDEPENDENCE SENIOR ADULT ACTIVITY CENTER (FITS AAC)

WHAT IS FITS AAC?

Friends of the Independence Township Senior Community Center is a 501C3 nonprofit corporation working with Center Staff:

- Supporting programs and services
 - Assist in maintaining and expanding facilities
 - Scholarship program for programs/services
 - Raising funds needed to support the above efforts
- Meetings take place quarterly at the Center at 9AM, the 3rd Wednesdays of the month, July 17, October 16 and are open to the public. For more information contact Joe Figa, at 248-625-5404 or Jennifer Angus, Senior Division Supervisor at 248-625-8231.

OFFICERS:

President: Bob Mancino
Vice President: Sue Shubert
Secretary: Debbie Mancino
Treasurer: Lee Kuczanski

MEMBERS: Gail Ferguson, Joe Figa, Marilyn Lash, Belinda Seal-Sweet and Janet Thomas, Rob Whitcomb



RENTAL OPPORTUNITIES IN CLINTONWOOD PARK

THE CARRIAGE HOUSE in Clintonwood Park is for rent evenings and weekends based on availability. The building includes a 20-foot-wide x 70-foot-long community room that seats 70 people, full-sized kitchen, and two handicap accessible bathrooms with baby changing stations. Perfect place for a birthday party, anniversary, baby or wedding shower!!
\$65 per hour for Independence Township residents
\$90 per hour for non-residents.

SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER BARTSCH HALL is for rent evenings and weekends based on availability. This large hall is 32 feet wide by 50 feet long and can seat up to 100 people. Rental includes use of commercial kitchen with gas stove and handicap accessible bathrooms. **\$100 an hour for Independence Township Residents and \$125 an hour for non-residents.** *\$100 returnable security deposit. All reservations must be made in person and paid for in advance. Call the Center at 248-625-8231 to check for availability.



FRIENDS FUNDRAISERS

"THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT"

KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM

If you do not have a computer or need help enrolling, call Debbie Mancino at 214-228-1292.

DIXSON METAL RECYCLING – ONGOING

4905 White Lake Road

Looking to get rid of scrap metal? Drop it off at Dixon Metal Recycling and donate your proceeds to the Friends. They accept Non-Ferrous (aluminum, copper, wire) and Ferrous (iron, steel) metals.



Birthdays OLP

JANUARY

Ken	Aines	1/24
Mary	Alstead	1/12
Jerry	Armitage	1/24
Janie	Armstrong	1/10
David	Armstrong	1/11
Jennifer	Baenziger	1/8
Kristin	Barber	1/26
Thomas	Barbieri	1/16
Donna	Barron	1/30
Jane	Bentham	1/2
Randy	Bernard	1/17
David	Bihl	1/1
Hans	Bohte	1/28
Debbie	Bradford	1/10
Dottie	Brancheau	1/4
Carolyn	Britting	1/2
Paula	Burkland	1/8
Steve	Byrne	1/8
Margaret	Carmen	1/1
Kimberly	Carroll	1/23
Gwen	Cesario	1/15
Anne	Chaput	1/5
Karen	Christeller	1/28
Karen	Clark	1/6
Richard	Clark	1/15
Gale	Claww	1/5
Gerald	Cooper	1/19
Ed	Coulson	1/27
Ron	Creek	1/11
Deb	Davis	1/1
Ronald	Delorme	1/7
Sandra	Devine	1/9
Brian	Dicker	1/21
Joan	Dowling	1/31
Debbie	Eddy	1/24
Judith	Edmunds	1/21
Becky	Emerick	1/13
Becky	Ermer	1/19
Mary	Erskine	1/1
Joe	Fabrizio	1/2
Gail	Ferguson	1/12
Earnest	Finley	1/23
Monte	Frick	1/18
Donna	Gettig	1/18
Bill	Goolsby	1/5
Nancy	Grimmer	1/29
Catherine	Haar	1/6
Carroll	Harris	1/16
Elisabeth	Harshman	1/14
Ernie	Hinz	1/25
Janis	Houston	1/28
Krystyna	Imiowicz	1/25
Lillian	Jawlik	1/7
June	Johnson	1/2
Tommy	Jones	1/18
Patrick	Jones	1/21
Jason	Karlis	1/6
Carol	Kepler	1/2
Roseanna	King	1/22
Judy	King	1/27
Marlene	Knaus	1/12
Janette	Koldoge	1/16
Charlene	Kowalski	1/2
Michele	Krumrine	1/13
Aimee	Laing	1/16
Mary Anna	Lake	1/15
Dorothy	Lederman	1/17
Mary	Limberg	1/9
Rae	Luallen	1/6

Enedelia	Lucio	1/9
Ruth	Lyons	1/30
Pat	Madden	1/2
Stuart	Mahler	1/23
Bob	Mancino	1/20
George	Mann	1/5
Jason	Mareches	1/21
Barb	Marshall	1/7
Cynthia	Matusko	1/7
Tom	McClellan	1/14
Beth	McClellan	1/21
Michelle	McCormick	1/8
Pat	McLaughlin	1/6
Maggie	Montney	1/24
Dennis	Mullins	1/20
Wanda	Nash	1/16
Amy	Neadow	1/14
Charlene	Nichols	1/9
Frank	Nido	1/14
Terri	Nowak	1/6
John	Ochab	1/11
Michael	Oja	1/18
Lisa	Oja	1/18
Lisa	Olson	1/22
Darlene	Owen	1/20
Janet	Pajot	1/18
James	Parker	1/6
Sherry	Parks	1/30
Donna	Patterson	1/17
Lynn	Peruski	1/2
Diane	Pfister	1/19
Linda	Pisani	1/31
Daniel	Pitts	1/23
Sherrill	Raguso	1/25
Barbara	Ritthaler	1/15
Patricia	Roy	1/28
Catherine	Rush	1/24
Thomas	Sachs	1/12
John	Scroi	1/1
James	Secreto	1/7
Sherry	Showers	1/31
Jim	Smith	1/6
Cecelia	Sommers	1/29
Sandra	Spencer	1/26
Joe	Speranza	1/14
Darnita	Stein	1/18
David	Stein	1/12
Jill	Stein	1/23
Sharon	Steinhelper	1/23
Cathy	Stewart	1/15
Thomas	Stone	1/3
Roberta	Swift	1/28
Ronald	Turner	1/31
Karen	Tuttle	1/31
Jan	Vaillencourt	1/28
Alan	VanLoon	1/4
Gerald	Ward	1/31
Barbara	Washburn	1/25
Helen	Weil	1/5
Larry	Westphal	1/28
Vicky	Wilke	1/5
Mary	Williams	1/20
Rosalinda	Windsor	1/30
Ray	Winkleman	1/25
Sue	Wolanin	1/16
Carole	Wyckoff	1/5
Phyllis	Zaffina	1/12

FEBRUARY

Judith	Abell	2/13
Rich	Arpke	2/6
Belinda	Billings	2/27
Anne	Boggs	2/27
Tom	Bollman	2/13
Marjorie	Bowens	2/28
Kali	Brown	2/16
Richard	Brozovich	2/4
Judith	Buesching	2/8
Kathy	Burkhart	2/7
Jack	Campbell	2/2
Carol	Campbell	2/23
Cindy	Christensen	2/10
Debbie	Cosentino	2/19
Jennie	Coughlin	2/16
David	Daily	2/27
Maryann	Davenport	2/22
Lawrence	Day	2/10
Lori	Decker	2/27
Tom	Decker	2/19
Meredith	DeLong	2/2
Gary	DePouw	2/20
Doreen	Dorau	2/4
Marion	Emery	2/13
Peggy	England	2/8
Sharon	Frericks	2/3
Sally	Gaultney	2/12
Karla	Gerczak	2/9
Monica	Gilbert	2/9
Ted	Ginn	2/13
Cheryl	Goolsby	2/17
Stacey	Grava	2/6
Sherry	Harvey	2/15
Gloria C	Henry	2/21
Sarah	Hinz	2/12
Margaret	Horne	2/3
Kenneth	Huddas	2/21
Sharon	Hurlbert	2/5
Elsie	Johnson	2/8
Ann	Kargetta	2/12
Mary Ellen	Keefer	2/11
Janis	Kelterborn	2/3
Phillip	Knox	2/25
Karen	Kosuth	2/22
Georgie	Kruchko	2/10
Evelyn	Kujawa	2/3
Julianne	Lentz	2/28
Penny	Leverenz	2/10
Sandra	Lewis	2/7
Art	Lilienthal	2/22
Arnie	Luallen	2/20
Carole	Luchenbach	2/23
Daniel	Ludwig	2/6
Roger	Magerman	2/20
Debbie	Mancino	2/4
Pamela	Marin	2/28
Hope	Mason	2/9
Tammy	Massar	2/25
Cheryl	McKay	2/19
Holly	McKenzie	2/4
Thomas	Miller	2/11
Jeff	Moats	2/2
Charrie	Moody	2/9
Flora	Newblatt	2/6
Cheryl	Nickolaou	2/18
Pam	Otero	2/8
Joe	Pachuta	2/24
Elaine	Peterson	2/2
Janet	Pierson	2/3
Charlie	Robinson	2/16
Don	Rochford	2/11
Craig	Rossano	2/19
Richard	Ryan	2/27
Lee	Sachs	2/4
Jane	Schneider	2/17

Crystal	Schwartz	2/15
Ed	Selwocki	2/25
Dean	Shackelford	2/26
Deborah	Shotwell	2/20
Steve	Smith	2/17
Susan	Sova	2/5
Larry	Stephens	2/19
Marty	Stone	2/28
Jon	Stowell	2/22
Roberta	Thomas	2/25
Janet	Thomas	2/16
Ken	Tremonti	2/8
Ken	Vaillencourt	2/14
Joy	Verhey	2/4
Chris	Wellsandt	2/23
Sally	Wickstrom	2/27
Gerald	Wigand	2/28
Walter	Witala	2/4
Louise	Wiselman	2/2
Lawrence	Young	2/25
David	Zeigler	2/5
JoAnne	Zupon	2/28
Paul	Zupon	2/19

MARCH

Judy	Ableser	3/18
Betty	Anderson	3/29
Darryl	Anderson	3/16
Bev	Asimakis	3/17
Gregory	Aurand	3/6
Carol	Axford	3/14
Julie	Baer	3/14
Candace	Ball	3/14
Janice	Beach	3/18
Bradley	Beedle	3/28
David	Beverlin	3/29
Jennifer	Biallas	3/7
Lois	Blevins	3/19
Brian	Boch	3/13
Linda	Braun	3/10
Richard	Burleson	3/17
Pamela	Cady	3/19
Barbara	Capaldi	3/29
Judy	Carpenter	3/24
Jim	Carroll	3/29
Sherwood	Chambers	3/28
Debra	Cicinelli	3/18
Valerie	Cook	3/6
Ruth	Creech	3/5
Joanne	Crites	3/25
Tina	Curry	3/12
Alexandra	Demopoulos	3/31
John	Devine	3/31
Tom	Dreslinski	3/4
Phillip	Dutton	3/27
Cheryl	Eason	3/24
Karen	Facca	3/5
Art	Fecteau	3/24
Gail	Fitzpatrick	3/14
Kathryn	Fletcher	3/30
Deborah	Flores	3/18
Carol	Frank	3/27
Cheryl	Futrell	3/13
Ande	Gendron	3/10
Mickey	Ginn	3/18
Lynn	Goulet	3/1
Donna	Hargan	3/13
Rafael	Hernandez	3/25
Clifton	Higdon	3/2
Janet	Hughes	3/17
Maggie	Hull	3/2
Vera	Hurchik	3/23
Joanne	Hutchins	3/31
Karen	Jones	3/8
Rachelle	Jordan	3/29
Osamu	Kawai	3/2

Karen	Keavy	3/26
Tina	Klemm	3/26
Ronald	Knockeart	3/25
Carol	Krause	3/4
Helen	Kuciemba	3/11
Lee	Kuczanski	3/5
Ted	Kuhn	3/9
Marilyn	Kuhn	3/15
Dorothy	LaBay	3/2
Jim	LaBond	3/27
Vicki	Lane	3/11
Lawrence	Larson	3/16
Franklin	Lawrence	3/23
Marge	Lichtenthaler	3/3
Patience	Lowry	3/20
Richard	Marshall	3/2
Jason	Martin	3/27
Lee	Mathiak	3/6
Nancy	Maxfield	3/24
Phyllis	McCaffrey	3/17
Bobby	Merritt	3/25
Kathleen	Metcalf	3/27
Richard	Miller	3/24
Ron	Miller	3/22
Robert	Miner	3/9
Jeff	Moss	3/2
Terry	Murrell	3/18
Anetia	Pace	3/31
Debbie	Parker	3/9
Richard	Paul	3/27
Terry	Porritt	3/17
Rose	Rana	3/4
Barbara	Reed	3/16
Charlene	Reynolds	3/21
Eugene	Rieck	3/3
Dawn	Robiadek	3/5
Patricia	Rosinski-McDonald	3/4
Phyllis	Ross	3/9
Brenda	Schultz	3/5
Ruth	Scott	3/2
Nancy	Serra	3/9
Sue	Shubert	3/30
Ruth	Standifer	3/8
Ron	Stepke	3/6
Kim	Stevens	3/24
Arlene	Stone	3/25
Doris	Stricklin	3/24
David	Sweet	3/9
Jeff	True	3/29
Paul	Tungate	3/3
Joan	VanAntwerp	3/4
Dora	VanFossan	3/2
Rob	Vargo	3/30
Wendy	Villabol	3/18
Sharon	Witala	3/22
Sharon	Winters	3/17
Bonnie	Zervas	3/31
Gayle	Zirwes	3/2
Gary	Zirwes	3/4



CENTER CARD WINNERS

MONDAY EUCHRE

8/5	Alma Harthun
8/12	Tom Mitcham
8/19	Dour Williams
8/26	Colin Bain
9/9	Sandy Potter
9/16	Tom Mitcham & Mike Maybee
9/23	Colin Bain
9/30	Mike Maybee
10/7	Marge Lichtenthaler
10/14	Lenny Klaf
10/21	Colin Bain
10/28	Vito Leuzzi

TUESDAY DD PINOCHLE

8/6	Robert Olivera
8/13	Joe Brodak
8/20	Lou Cherwak
8/27	Sharon McClure
9/3	Robert Olivera
9/10	Lou Cherwak
9/17	Rose Jordan
9/24	Darrell Pennycoff
10/1	Marilyn Curtis
10/8	Kim Copley
10/15	Donna Smith
10/22	Rich Brozovich
10/29	Marilyn Curtis

FRIDAY DD PINOCHLE

8/2	Dave Ziemann
8/9	Dot Lederman
8/16	Lynn White
8/23	Lou Cherwak
8/30	Rich Brozovich
9/6	Rose Jordan
9/13	Rich Brozovich
9/20	Rich Brozovich
9/27	Donna Smith
10/4	Joe Brodak
10/11	Rich Brozovich
10/18	Joe Pruchnicki
10/25	Rose Jordan

THURSDAY HAND AND FOOT

8/1	Single – Char Curry
	Doubles – Olga Lovell & Sherry Coxen
8/8	Single – Robert Olivera
	Doubles – Beverly Territo & Joanne Filhart
8/15	Single – Gerry Seroi
	Doubles – Olga Lovell & Carol Tunnecliffe
8/22	Doubles – Sherry Coxen & Beverly Territo
8/29	Doubles – Olga Lovell & Cindy Trudell
9/5	Doubles – Susan Hamil & Beverly Territo
9/12	Single – Helen Kuciemba
	Doubles – Gerry Scroi & Beverly Territo
9/19	Single – Rose Ebert
9/26	Single – Olga Lovell
	Doubles – Rose Ebert & Dara Michael
10/3	Single – Janine Foxx
10/10	Doubles – Sherry Coxen & Helen Kuciemba
10/17	Single – Helen Kuciemba

COMMUNITY EVENTS

OAKLAND COUNTY WOMEN'S SENIOR SOFTBALL 50+

The purpose of this league is to provide a place for women 50 and over to play recreational softball that is fun and moderately competitive. The league administrator will place each team in the appropriate division. The intent is to keep a level playing field for everyone. Games are played every Tuesday, May 7 to August 27, with an All-Star Game and picnic on August 27th in Farmington. If you are interested in joining a team or would like to bring a new team, contact Sharon Vreeland at 734-366-8679 or sharonvreeland4903@comcast.net.



DOES YOUR DOG HAVE GOOD MANNERS?

Do you love spending time with your canine partner? Join USA Therapy Dogs Inc. at the Independence Township Senior Community Center and train to be a canine-assisted Therapy Team.

USA Therapy Dogs is a non-profit organization dedicated to helping the well-being of others through certified therapy dog teams. Training begins on Monday, February, 24 7:00 PM -8:30 PM and runs the next consecutive Monday Evenings for 12 weeks. The dogs/handlers are trained and certified in a controlled environment for the A.K.C. (American Kennel Club) C.G.C. /CGCA Canine Good Citizen/ Canine Good Citizen Advanced. After successfully passing the AKC guidelines, the teams will go on field trips to various facilities, exposing them to their best fit for future visits.

*Junior members are welcome, age 14 and older along with a supervising parent handler.

Go to usatherapydogs.org and follow the prompts to Get Started/Join Now. Guidelines and restrictions apply. Class size is limited, so sign up today.

USA Therapy Dogs, Serving with Compassion and Pride.
*All members of USA TD are volunteers.

Seeking Art & Craft Instructor

Do you have a craft or art talent that you are looking to share? We are seeking an instructor to offer various mediums such as painting, drawing, sculpting, jewelry-making, and other craft techniques. If you have one of these talents and are interested in instructing a class at the Senior Community Center, please contact Ann at 248-625-8231.



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CHRISTMAS LUNCH

- Center Well Home Health
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DONATIONS

WISH LIST-We can use the following items at the Center: Cans of regular & decaf coffee, cans of creamer and sugar, candy for the front desk, 8-9oz paper cups, and paper plates (large and small, no Styrofoam), large buttons for kitchen towels, pre-packaged snacks, and tootsie pops. We are not accepting plasticware currently.

Thank you!

COMMUNITY IMPACT WEEKEND

Thank you to the community organizations, churches, and volunteers contributing to the Community Impact Weekend held November 2-3. The Senior Center Garden committee and volunteers transplanted and trimmed plants and raked leaves. Other volunteers provided fall yard work assistance for 17 senior homeowners. The support of our community partners is appreciated!

SANTA TO A SENIOR

Thank you to those who provided donations to the Santa to a Senior program! Your generosity brightened the holiday for many seniors in our community.



SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR HOLIDAY MEALS ON WHEELS PROVIDERS

- Thanksgiving** - Royal Diner
- Volunteer drivers** - Jim & Jana Koch
- Christmas** - Crispelli's Clarkston
- Volunteer drivers** - Jim & Jana Koch
- New Year's Day** - Leo's Coney Island, Clarkston
- Volunteer drivers** - Jim & Jana Koch



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Independence Township actively seeks and supports participation by persons with disabilities in programs and services. Please call us with your concerns so we will know how to serve you better.

Independence Township Senior Community Center is funded through the federal Older Americans Act, Community Development Block Grant Funds and Independence Township. The Center complies with the terms and regulations of the Title V of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended in Section 504 of the Social Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Independence Township Senior Community Center is a equal opportunity program and reasonable accommodations will be provided upon request.



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