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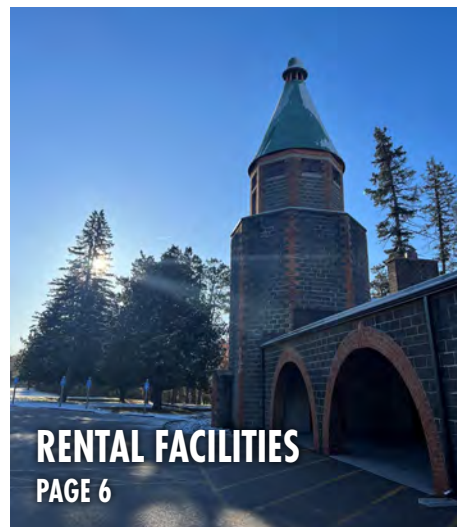
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PARK HOURS: See pages 6–10.

CLOSURES: This winter, the Township Offices will
be closed on the following holidays: January 1,
January 20 and February 17.

ACCESSIBILITY: Read about accessibility at our
facilities on page 28.



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SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER
staff, activities, programs
and more!**

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upcoming events! Email amyl@indtwp.com
to be added to the list!*

GENERAL REGISTRATION INFORMATION

*Winter/Spring registration begins ONLINE Wednesday, December 18, 2024 and IN PERSON
or OVER THE PHONE on Thursday, January 2 2025; unless otherwise noted per program.*

- **WALK IN** to our office and our friendly staff will be happy to assist you! We are located in the Township Offices at 6483 Waldon Center Drive, in the lower level. Main Office is open Monday–Thursday, 7AM–5:30PM. Closed on Friday.
- **DROP IN** our after hours drop box, located on the parking lot side of the Township Offices. Be sure to include all required paperwork for the program/event you are registering for.
- **MAIL IN** to 6483 Waldon Center Dr, Clarkston, MI 48346. Be sure to include all required paperwork for the program/event you are registering for.
- **FAX IN** to 248-620-7454. Be sure to include all required paperwork for the program/event you are registering for. To be used by customers paying by credit card only. If you haven't received an emailed receipt within 24 hours, please call to verify we've received your fax.
- **PHONE IN** to 248-625-8223. To be used by customer paying by credit card only for programs that do not require specific registration paperwork.
- **ONLINE** Available for most programs, indicated by the  symbol. Online registration requires an online account. Set up your own account online at www.indtwp.com.



*Independence Township Parks, Recreation & Seniors
will charge a processing fee of 2.75% + \$0.30 on all
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Travel



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Thanksgiving Lunch

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Two Doors Realty-Christine Kilpatrick
Vista Springs Trillium Village
Wellbridge of Clarkston

Christmas Lunch

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YOUR PARKS

INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP PARKS AND FACILITIES

Independence Township operates 266 acres of parkland between five locations which affords many recreation opportunities. All parks are free to enter, however user fees exist for some amenities.

PARK HOURS ■ April 1–October 31, 8AM–9PM.
■ November 1–March 31, 8AM–5PM, unless an activity or rental is scheduled.

Department of Parks, Recreation & Seniors Main Office ■ 6483 Waldon Ctr Dr, Clarkston, MI 48346

Our Main Office is located in the lower level of the Independence Township Offices. All Township offices are handicap accessible. Offices at this location are open Monday–Thursday, 7AM–5:30PM, but closed for holidays.

CLINTONWOOD PARK

6000 CLARKSTON ROAD, CLARKSTON, MI 48348
FOR QUESTIONS ABOUT CLINTONWOOD PARK CALL 248-625-8223
SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER 248-625-8231

Clintonwood is an active park consisting of 120 acres. It backs up to Independence Oaks, an Oakland County Park. The park features a walking trail (9/10 of a mile), a gaga ball pit and mini basketball pad, 3 full-sized tennis courts & 4 youth tennis courts, 4 pickleball courts, 4 sand volleyball courts, the Renee Przybylski Memorial Spray Park, 4 baseball fields, 3 softball fields (2 lighted), 4 soccer fields, the Ryan Kennedy Memorial Playground, and 2 picnic pavilions. All baseball, softball and soccer fields are for reservation and league play only. There is also a large open space area with 3 grills. Handicap parking is available throughout the Park. All restrooms are handicap accessible and accessible picnic tables are also located throughout the park. The Spray Park is handicap accessible. All fields and courts are accessible; however Field #3 and some soccer fields do not have paved pathways.



CLINTONWOOD PARK RENTAL FACILITIES

- **North Shelter:** Seating for 50 people.
- **South Pavilion:** Seating for 125 people.
- **The Senior Community Center, the Carriage House, and Bartsch Hall** are located in Clintonwood Park. The Senior Community Center offers sports, trips, classes and activities to adults 50 & over. Services include: Thursday lunches, 'Meals On Wheels' deliveries for homebound seniors, transportation for residents of Clarkston, Independence and Springfield Townships.

The Senior Community Center is open Monday–Friday, 8AM–5PM, closed on Holidays.

The Senior Community Center, including Bartsch Hall and the Carriage House are accessible, have handicap parking and accessible restroom facilities. The Carriage House has a warming kitchen available during rentals. Our Senior Community Center has expanded, offering the Bartsch Hall for community use.

SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER RENTAL FACILITIES

- **Carriage House:** Capacity & seating for 70 people.
Rental Hours: Monday–Friday 9AM–9PM, Weekends 9AM–10PM
- **Bartsch Hall:** Capacity & seating for 100 people.
Rental Hours: Monday–Friday 9AM–9PM, Weekends 9AM–10PM.
Includes access to full kitchen.

RENEE PRZYBYLSKI MEMORIAL SPRAY PARK

When the Renee Przybylski Memorial Spray Park was built in 2004, it was one of the first in Oakland County. Dedicated to the memory of Renee Przybylski, one of the best Day Camp counselors in the history of Independence Township, the park receives over 10,000 visitors annually! The park was completely renovated in 2018.

- Open Memorial Day through Labor Day.
- Children under 12 must be supervised by an adult. Entrance fees apply.



PARKS, RECREATION & SENIORS

BAY COURT PARK

6970 ANDERSONVILLE ROAD, CLARKSTON, MI 48346
FOR QUESTIONS ABOUT BAY COURT PARK, CALL 248-625-8223

Bay Court Park is a wonderful historic landmark featuring a brand new playground, a walking trail (1/4 mile), a 9 hole disc golf course, 2 picnic shelters, 1 gazebo, an indoor room with warming kitchen and restroom facilities, and historic Brady Lodge. ALL Bay Court amenities are handicap accessible, including the Beach Front; however the Disc Golf Course and Walking Trail are located on rough terrain. Handicap parking is available at the indoor room and playground.



BAY COURT BEACH

Bay Court Park is home to a small picturesque beach on Greens Lake. This Beach is a SWIM AT YOUR OWN RISK Beach and is open Memorial Day to Labor Day during normal park hours. There is no charge to use the Beach.



RYAN SCHMIDT MEMORIAL DISC GOLF COURSE

The Disc Golf Course is open seven days a week during normal park hours (weather and facility permitting.) Admission is free. Donations are accepted.



DRIFTWOOD CREEK DISC GOLF LEAGUE

Sundays, 9–11 AM

18 hole, random draw doubles.

\$5 to play in league per day

For more information visit:
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HISTORIC BRADY LODGE

Brady Lodge was built by George Nexsen Brady in 1921 and he founded Camp Brady. Once established, the camp was run by the Detroit Area Council of Boys Scouts of America through the 1940s. For the next 30 years, the property accommodated a recreational camp for mothers and children run by the District of Nursing Society. In 1972, it was leased to yet another group serving underprivileged youth and children with disabilities.

In recent years, Brady Lodge has had several major renovations completed including: a new roof, bell tower, windows and glass cargo bay doors, interior and exterior paint, asphalt driveway, dedicated parking lot, a new electrical system, and bathrooms. In 2023, an HVAC system was added to the building.

In addition, alcohol is now an option for renters at their events (rules and regulations apply.)

To learn more about Brady Lodge, or for information regarding renting this space for your next event, call Parks, Recreation & Seniors at (248)625-8223.

BAY COURT PARK RENTAL FACILITIES

- **Lakeside Pavilion (with grill):** Seating for 40 people
NOTE: This pavilion has no direct lake access.
- **Cedar Grove Pavilion (with grill):** Seating for 125 people
- **Gazebo:** Bench seating for 12, perfect for an outdoor wedding.
No tables. Special rental rules apply. Contact Main Office for more details.
- **Lakeview Room:** Capacity & seating for 50 people.
Rental Hours: Monday–Friday 9AM–9PM,
Weekends 9AM–10PM
- **Brady Lodge:** Capacity and rental hours vary.



PARK MAPS AND ROOM LAYOUTS

CAN BE FOUND BY VISITING WWW.INDTWP.COM.



DEER LAKE BEACH

350 WHITE LAKE ROAD, CLARKSTON, MI 48346

FOR QUESTIONS ABOUT DEER LAKE BEACH, CALL 248-625-8223



Deer Lake Beach is a beautiful sandy beach with a wonderful shore line. The beach is located within the Village of Clarkston City limits, between Holcomb and Dixie Hwy. There are swimming areas for the little tykes and the big kids too, including an area with a few simple play toys. Sorry, no pets are allowed at the beach. Portable toilets are on site, including ADA units. Handicap Parking available. Lifeguards are on duty during operating hours. Beach operates yearly Memorial Weekend to Labor Day.

SASHABAW PLAINS

5620 MAYBEE RD, CLARKSTON, MI 48346

FOR QUESTIONS ABOUT SASHABAW PLAINS PARK, CALL 248-625-8223



Sashabaw Plains is a peaceful 14 acre park that is open April 1–October 31. The park features a community built playground, 2 baseball fields, 2 practice soccer fields, horseshoes, a 4 square court, a basketball (half) court and volleyball court.

The park also features a picnic pavilion and bathroom facilities. In the open space surrounding the playground, there are 3 grills. All Sashabaw Plains Park amenities are handicap accessible. Handicap access for vehicles to the ball fields or pavilion through the locked gate must be made in advance by calling 248-625-8223.

SASHABAW PLAINS RENTAL FACILITIES

Pavilion (with grill): Seating for approximately 75 people.



RENTAL DATES, HOURS & FEES

- Payment is due in full at time of rental, including security deposit. Cash, check, and credit card accepted for rental fees and security deposit. Checks are payable to Independence Township.
- Weekday Rental: Monday–Thursday ■ Weekend Rental: Friday, Saturday, Sunday
- A security deposit is required for each facility rental, unless otherwise noted:
 - \$100 Pavilions, Gazebo & Indoor Rooms
 - \$500 Brady Lodge
- To qualify for the resident rate, the renter must live within Independence Township and be the person completing the paperwork.
- Facilities are not available to rent when the Township is closed in observation of the following holidays: New Year's Eve, New Year's Day, Memorial Day, 4th of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving (and the day after), Christmas Eve, and Christmas Day.

INDOOR ROOMS: Rooms are available for rent Monday–Friday, 9AM–9PM, Saturday–Sunday, 9AM–10PM. Minimum two-hour rental.

All rental prices are listed as a per hour fee.	RES.	NON.
Lakeview Room at Bay Court Park (capacity: 50)	\$60	\$85
Carriage House at Clintonwood Park (capacity: 70)	\$65	\$90
Bartsch Hall at Senior Community Center (capacity: 100)	\$80	\$105

GAZEBO: Minimum two-hour rental. When renting the Gazebo for a wedding, a two-hour rental of the Lakeview Room is required.

All rental prices are listed as a per hour fee.	RES.	NON.
Bay Court Park Gazebo	\$55	\$80

BRADY LODGE: \$500 security deposit & minimum four-hour rental.

All rental prices are listed as a per hour fee.	WEEKDAY		WEEKEND (Fri–Sun)	
	RES.	NON.	RES.	NON.
Brady Lodge at Bay Court Park (capacity: 200 standing/theater style, 175 seated with tables & chairs)	\$135	\$160	\$160	\$185
Weekend Package: Weekend package rates include 6 hours of set up time on Friday, full day Saturday, and 6 hours of clean-up time on Sunday.			\$3,000	\$3,500
Alcohol at events now permitted, additional rules and regulations apply. Learn more by contacting the Parks, Recreation & Seniors Department. Applicable to Brady Lodge only.				

BRADY LODGE!
Now rentable year-round with the recent addition of air-conditioning and heat!

PAVILIONS

Pavilion hours are based on park hours.

Full Day Rental: 9AM–8PM

Half Day Options: 9AM–2PM or 3PM–8PM

	WEEKDAY		WEEKEND	
	RES.	NON.	RES.	NON.
Lakeside Pavilion at Bay Court Park (capacity: 40)				
Half Day	\$60	\$85	\$110	\$135
Full Day	\$75	\$100	\$160	\$185
Cedar Grove at Bay Court Park (capacity: 125)				
Half Day	\$75	\$100	\$175	\$200
Full Day	\$90	\$115	\$250	\$275
South Pavilion at Clintonwood Park (capacity: 125)				
Half Day	\$65	\$90	\$150	\$175
Full Day	\$80	\$105	\$200	\$225
North Shelter at Clintonwood Park (capacity: 50)				
Half Day	\$50	\$75	\$100	\$125
Full Day	\$65	\$90	\$150	\$175
Sashabaw Pavilion at Sashabaw Plains Park (capacity: 75)				
Half Day	\$50	\$75	\$100	\$125
Full Day	\$65	\$90	\$150	\$175

Reservations for all rooms and pavilions must be done in person at either the Parks, Recreation & Senior's Main Office or at the Senior Community Center.

RENTAL FAQs CAN BE FOUND BY VISITING WWW.INDTWP.COM.

SPECIAL EVENTS

SNOWMAN BUILDING CHALLENGE **FREE!**

Gather your family and build a traditional snowman or get creative and build a snow sculpture!

Join the excitement and get outside and build, build, build! This winter spend time with your family building a snowman right in your front yard. Once you have your snowman constructed, email a photo of your creation to mwozniak@indtwp.com. Enter the "Traditional Snowman Category" or the "Non-Traditional/Creative Category". One entry per category, per family please. Deadline to enter is February 28, 2025 by midnight. Winners will be notified in March.



HOUSE HOP

The Easter Bunny is hopping around Independence Township delivering Easter Baskets! Register for your basket, and the Easter Bunny will be sure to stop on by to deliver your basket full of egg-citing goodies! Spots are limited, so register soon!

Delivery Dates: April 15, 16, 17

TIME	COST
Delivery Time: Between 4–7PM	\$20 per basket

Delivery addresses must be in Independence Township or in Clarkston School District.



SOGGY DOGGY

Kick off the beach season with your furry friends! Typically, our four legged companions are not permitted at the beach, but on this special occasion, you can bring your pup out to the beach to swim, play fetch and socialize with all their canine friends! Pre-Registration is required along with record of vaccinations.

Saturday, May 17

TIME	COST
10AM–12PM	\$5 per dog

*Pre-Registration is required. Copies of shot records must be provided. Records can be presented in person at the ITPRS office, or emailed to mwozniak@indtwp.com



BASEBALL/SOFTBALL



SUMMER YOUTH BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL LEAGUES

Our summer baseball and softball program will emphasize youth development through skills taught at practices, along with teamwork, sportsmanship, and fun. See league information at right. Download the 2025 Youth Sports Guide for detailed information online at www.indtwp.com.

Teams are coached by parent volunteers. Due to field availability, once games begin there will be no practices except for Coach Pitch 7 and 8. Once teams are formed, practices are played in May. Practices are based on fundamentals and all lesson plans are provided by ITPRS. If you are interested in coaching, please email tmcniet@indtwp.com.

Games begin Saturday May 31, and continue in June, July and possibly into August depending on weather. For specific days, see grid for details. Make up games may be on Friday and Saturdays depending on field availability.

All leagues may play some Saturday games due to number of teams and field availability.

Registration Information:

Early Bird Registration January 6–March 6

Late Registration After March 6

Review Letter Deadline..... March 6

A \$10 late fee applies for late registrations. All registration contingent upon availability of space. Residency rates apply.

No refunds will be given after the Early Bird Registration deadline.

LEAGUE	AGE Ages as of August 1, 2025	DAYS (May practices can be any day of the week for all divisions. Saturday games possible for all divisions)	RES.	NON.
Little Sluggers Co-Rec	Ages 3 & 4	Saturdays (No additional practices)	\$78	\$88
T-Ball Co-Rec	Age 5	Saturdays	\$78	\$88
Coach Pitch Co-Rec	Age 6	Saturdays	\$78	\$88
Coach Pitch Co-Rec	Ages 7 & 8	7 year olds: Practice Thursdays, Games Saturdays 8 year olds: Practice Tuesdays, Games Saturdays	\$89	\$99
Girls 9 & 10	Ages 9 & 10	Monday, Wednesdays	\$102	\$112
Boys 9 & 10	Ages 9 & 10	Monday, Wednesdays	\$102	\$112
Girls 11 & 12 Fastpitch	Ages 11 & 12	Tuesdays, Thursdays	\$102	\$112
Boys 11 & 12 Major	Ages 11 & 12	Tuesdays, Thursdays	\$102	\$112
Girls 13 & 14 Fastpitch	Ages 13 & 14	Mondays, Wednesdays	\$102	\$112
Boys 13 & 14 Major	Ages 13 & 14	Tuesdays, Thursdays	\$102	\$112
Boys 15–18 (North Oakland Big League NOBL)	Ages 15, 16, 17 & 18	Mondays, Wednesdays	\$102	\$112
For those players with cognitive disabilities, with or without physical impairments, see Therapeutic Recreation activities starting on page 28.				



UMPIRES NEEDED

If you have knowledge of baseball or softball and are interested in becoming an umpire, please call (248) 625-8223 for more details. Applicants must be at least 12 years old.

TEAM SPONSORSHIPS

Would you like to see your business logo on your child's team jersey this summer?

The process is very simple and affordable; complete a sponsor form (includes picking your team colors and receiving 2 sponsor shirts), submit payment of \$225, \$300 or \$400 (depending on which age group you choose), and email your logo. We do the rest, including uniform ordering, printing, and distribution. As the sole sponsor of a team, your business name will be the team name printed on schedules, standings, and other team related materials. At the end of the season, you will also receive a plaque with the team picture. Questions? Please call (248) 625-8223 or email amyl@indtwp.com.

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Spring League Registration Information:

Early Bird RegistrationJanuary 6–February 20

Late RegistrationAfter February 20

Review Letter Deadline.....February 20

A \$10 late fee applies for late registrations. All registration contingent upon availability of space. Residency rates apply. No refunds will be given after the Early Bird Registration deadline.

Season begins April 12, 2025 (6 weeks)

AGE	TIME	RES.	NON.
Kiddy Kickers 3 & 4 (for players born in 2020 & 2021)	9AM Saturdays	\$60	\$70
Kiddy Kickers 5 (for players born in 2019)	10:15AM Saturdays	\$60	\$70

Players born in 2018 play Junior Kicker 6

COACHES WANTED

Volunteer coaches are needed to coach soccer games. If you are a parent with a child in the league, why not volunteer to coach or assistant coach? If you want to volunteer and give back to your community, this could also be for you! Coaches need little or no knowledge of the game. We can help along the way.

If interested, call Liz Walker-Kreutziger at (248) 625-8223 or email her at lwalker@indtwp.com.

SOCCER REFEREES

If you have knowledge of soccer and are interested in becoming a soccer referee, please call (248) 625-8223 for more details.

To ref youth leagues, applicants must be at least 12 years old and be available to ref games in the evenings (Monday–Thursday) and some weekends. To ref adult games, must be at least 18 years old, certified and available to ref games on Sunday afternoons.

YOUTH SOCCER LEAGUES

Children can enjoy learning and improving their soccer skills in a recreational atmosphere. Volunteers coach all teams; therefore, practices are subject to their availability. Most games are at Clintonwood Park and games are usually twice a week. Travel to surrounding communities may be involved in U12 and older. See league information below or download the 2025 Youth Sports Guide for detailed information about a specific age-group.

Spring League Registration Information:

Early Bird RegistrationJanuary 6–February 20

Late RegistrationAfter February 20

Review Letter Deadline.....February 20

A \$10 late fee applies for late registrations. All registration contingent upon availability of space. Residency rates apply. No refunds will be given after the Early Bird Registration deadline.

Season begins the week of April 14, 2025

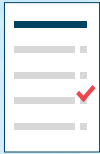
LEAGUE	BIRTH YEAR	DAYS	RES.	NON.
Junior Kickers 6	2018	Mondays and Wednesdays	\$82	\$92
Junior Kickers 7	2017	Tuesdays and Thursdays	\$82	\$92
U10 Girls	2015 & 2016	Tuesdays and Thursdays	\$90	\$100
U10 Boys	2015 & 2016	Mondays and Wednesdays	\$90	\$100
U12 Girls Rec. Travel	2013 & 2014	Tuesdays, Thursdays, & Possible Sundays	\$90	\$100
U12 Boys Rec. Travel	2013 & 2014	Mondays, Wednesdays, & Possible Sundays	\$90	\$100
U14 Girls Rec. Travel	2011 & 2012	Mondays, Wednesdays, Saturdays and/or Sundays	\$100	\$110
U14 Boys Rec. Travel	2011 & 2012	Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays and/or Sundays	\$100	\$110
U19 Co-Ed Rec. Travel Lower Division	2006–2010	Sundays, possible Saturdays	\$110	\$120

Site Supervisors needed for soccer, adult softball and youth baseball.

Site supervisors must be 18 years old, available at least 2 week nights and 1 weekend day per week. No prior knowledge of sports needed. Please contact Tim or Liz if interested or have any questions.

For those players with cognitive disabilities, with or without physical impairments, check out TR Buddy Soccer on page 28.

40th Annual CLARKSTON COMMUNITY AWARDS



Nominations will be accepted online
from **January 20 - March 14** at
www.clarkston.org

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Independence Township DPW Offers FREE Water Plant Tours

Did you know that the Independence Township Department of Public Works (DPW) offers FREE guided tours at our Water Treatment Plants for Boys and Girl Scouts, class field trips, and other organizations that are interested in learning more about our drinking water supply and treatment system?

One hundred (100) percent of the Township's drinking water comes from groundwater sources, where we pump from ten (10) wellfields throughout the Township.

Independence Township is committed to provide high quality drinking water to our residents and to promote awareness throughout our community. Come see what its all about! Call us Monday through Thursday 7:00 - 5:30 at 248-625-8222.



PRESCHOOL

BUSY BODIES

All classes held at **Busy Bodies**, 3560 Pontiac Lake Road, Waterford unless otherwise noted.

TUMBLING TODDLERS

This program is packed with "hands on" activities for your busy toddler to develop gross and fine motor skills, coordination and socialization. Children stretch, have "tumble" time, free play, movement to music and parachute play. Weekly themes and parent participation simply add to the fun! There is no registration deadline for this class, but please register early!

Session 1 (8 weeks): Tuesdays, January 7–March 4 (Skip Feb 4)
Wednesdays, January 8–March 5 (Skip Feb 5)
Fridays, January 10–March 7 (Skip Feb 7)
Saturdays, January 11–March 8 (Skip Feb 8)

Session 2 (8 weeks): Tuesdays, March 18–May 13 (Skip Mar 25)
Wednesdays, March 19–May 14 (Skip Mar 26)
Fridays, March 21–May 16 (Skip Mar 28)
Saturdays, March 22–May 17 (Skip Mar 29)

DAY	GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
TUES	1–4 yrs	10–10:45AM	\$90	\$100
TUES		11–11:45AM		
TUES		6:30–7:15PM		
WED		10–10:45AM		
FRI		10–10:45AM		
SAT		11–11:45AM		

TWINKLE TOES

A beginning dance class filled with creative movement and basic skills to music, with fun and games mixed in!

Session 1 (8 weeks): Tuesdays, January 7–February 25
Session 2 (8 weeks): Tuesdays, March 18–May 13 (Skip Mar 25)

DAY	GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
TUES	2.5–4 yrs	6:25–7:10PM	\$85	\$95

BEGINNING BALLET

Your child's first ballet experience. This class will incorporate techniques to develop balance and coordination to keep your little one light on their feet!

Session 1 (8 weeks): Saturdays, January 11–March 1
Session 2 (8 weeks): Saturdays, March 22–May 17 (Skip Mar 29)

DAY	GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
SAT	4–8 yrs	11–11:45AM	\$85	\$95

PAINT & PLAY

This class combines the benefits of Tumbling Toddlers and Pint-Sized Picassos! Join us as we develop fine and gross motor skills. There is no registration deadline for this class, but please register early!

Session 1 (8 weeks): Wednesdays, January 8–March 5 (Skip Feb 5)
Fridays, January 10–March 7 (Skip Feb 7)
Session 2 (8 weeks): Wednesdays, March 19–May 14 (Skip Mar 26)
Fridays, March 21–May 16 (Skip Mar 28)

DAY	GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
WED	2–4 yrs	10–11:15AM	\$140	\$155
FRI		10–11:15AM		

CREATIVE ART

This class offers a unique art experience incorporating different types of mediums to develop your child's "inner artist!" Join us as we explore all sorts of ways to be creative. You're going to want to "dress for the mess"! A one-time supply fee of \$10 must be paid on the first class to the instructor.

Session 1 (8 weeks): Thursdays, January 9–March 6 (Skip Feb 6)
Session 2 (8 weeks): Thursdays, March 20–May 15 (Skip Mar 27)

DAY	GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
THUR	5–10 yrs	7:15–8PM	\$85	\$95

PKSA TINY TIGERS

This parent and child interactive class focuses on teaching developmental skills while providing bonding time for you and your child. Your child will benefit from physical activity, coordination drills, discipline, and social interaction with other children their own age in a fun setting while learning some very basic martial arts actions. Parents actively participate in the class alongside their child. Wear comfortable clothes.

Session 1: Thursdays, February 6–March 13
Session 2: Thursdays, April 10–May 15

DAY	GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
THUR	2–3 yrs	5–5:30PM	\$30	\$35

PKSA Karate-Clarkston 7137 Dixie Hwy, Clarkston

LITTLE CHEFS

This class introduces your child to the fun of food through creative ideas and recipes. Table manners will be taught, and each child will make a keepsake cookbook. A one-time supply fee of \$20 must be paid on the first class to the instructor. There is no registration deadline for this class, but please register early! Please bring a plastic container to take food home from class every week. This class is not recommended for those with food allergies.

Session 1 (8 weeks): Thursdays, January 9–March 6 (Skip Feb 6)
Session 2 (8 weeks): Thursdays, March 20–May 15 (Skip Mar 27)

DAY	GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
THUR	4–10 yrs	6:15–7PM	\$115	\$125

BUSY BODIES SPRING BREAK CAMP

All camps provide themed activities, crafts and fun! Children need not be potty trained. Please pack a lunch and diapers & wipes if needed.

Monday, March 24 – "Singing in the Rain"
Tuesday, March 25 – "Duck, Duck, Goose"
Wednesday, March 26 – "Buds and Blooms"
Thursday, March 27 – "Hippity-Hop"
Friday, March 28 – "Puddle Jumpers"

GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
1.5+ yrs	10AM–1PM	\$30 daily	\$35 daily

PKSA LITTLE NINJAS

This introductory karate class focuses on teaching children 8 important main life skills: focus, teamwork, discipline, fitness, self-control, balance, coordination, and memory. All of this is achieved through exciting and fun games and activities! Wear loose fitting clothes. A responsible adult must remain in attendance during class. Optional uniforms will be available for purchase at the karate school.

Session 1: Tuesdays, February 4–March 18 (Skip February 18)
Session 2: Tuesdays, April 8–May 13

DAY	GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
TUE	4–5 yrs	5–5:30PM	\$30	\$35

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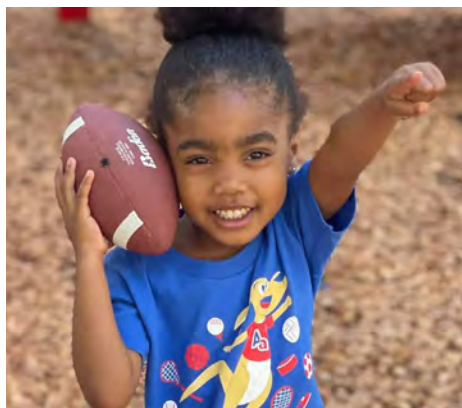
AMAZING ATHLETES 🏆

This physical fitness program empowers children to reach developmental milestones at an individual pace. Research shows that structured physical activity in children not only promotes better physical health, but also boosts brain power and assists in the development of social skills and character traits including sharing, empathy, focus, dedication, commitment, and drive. Our non-competitive classes let children build confidence and good sportsmanship. Kids develop a variety of athletic skills through the introduction of 10 different sports.

Session 1: Saturdays, January 4–February 22
Session 2: Saturdays, March 1–April 26 (Skip March 29)

DAY	GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
SAT	2.5–6 yrs	9:40–10:15AM	\$128	\$138

Clintonwood Park, Carriage House, 6000 Clarkston Rd



AMAZING TOTS 🏆

Amazing Tots is a guided, discovery-based program helping children engage in structured physical activities tailored specifically to toddlers. Amazing Tots uses age-appropriate developmental milestones and works with each individual toddler based on his or her attention span and physical abilities. During each 20-25 minute weekly class, toddlers learn about one of four sports through our discovery lessons. Our classes also balance a combination of structured physical challenges and organized physical exploration activities specifically designed with little ones in mind. Amazing Tots gain physical and academic advantages that prepare them to excel in preschool and beyond.

Session 1: Saturdays, January 4–February 22
Session 2: Saturdays, March 1–April 26 (Skip Mar 29)

DAY	GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
SAT	18 months–2.5 yrs	9–9:25AM	\$120	\$130

Clintonwood Park, Carriage House, 6000 Clarkston Rd

AMAZING ATHLETES CAMP 🏆

Amazing Athletes Camps strives to deliver the best educational sports program year-round. We focus on sports, muscle groups, nutrition, and motor development. Our camp curriculum delivers our mission in a different way from our traditional Amazing Athlete classes. We want our athletes to feel a true camp experience. Our 4-day camps will help your child to develop motor skills and will deliver a fun & flexible experience into sports.

Spring Break Camp: Monday–Thursday March 24–March 27

GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
2.5–6 yrs	5–5:45PM	\$64	\$74

Clintonwood Park, 6000 Clarkston Rd

See page 18 for another
Spring Break Camp!



For ages newborn-7yrs

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Giselle @ giselledgraham@gmail with any questions.

Join us for a "Free" In-person Open House on Monday January 6th from 5:30-7:30pm. You must register your child to participate in our open house. Please fill out our Kindermusik "visit form" on our website & come join us.



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YOUTH & TEEN

NOVA VOLLEYBALL SKILLS CLINIC 🇺🇸

This 5-week program will teach players basic skills needed to play volleyball. Each week we will focus on building serving, passing, setting, and hitting skills through games and specialized skills. A perfect place and environment to start playing or build upon previous knowledge. Court play will be incorporated at the end of each session.

Session 1: Sundays, January 5–February 2
Session 2: Sundays, February 16–March 16

GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
4th–6th grade	3:30–5PM	\$150	\$165
7th–8th grade	5–6:30PM	\$150	\$165

Everest Academy Gym, 5935 Clarkston Rd.

INSTRUCTIONAL ARCHERY 🏹

Do you and/or your child want to learn a new sport they can do for life? During this ten-week program participants will learn the basics of archery including safety, techniques, mental concentration and self-improvement. Equipment is provided or bring your own (must be approved by instructors before use). Please note: a parent/guardian must stay with child for the duration for the class.

Wednesdays, January 15–March 19

GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
Ages 8–Adult	4:30–6PM	\$85	\$95

Oakland County Sportsman's Club, 4770 Waterford Rd., Clarkston



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Scholarships to join Parks, Recreation & Seniors programs are available through Clarkston Area Youth Assistance (CAYA). Please contact CAYA to inquire more details and how to apply for a scholarship.

CAYA Office: (248) 623-4313 | Email: caya@clarkston.k12.mi.us

NAOFA JR. ACADEMY SOCCER CLUB

From the warmth of inside the gym our Jr. Academy Soccer Club will introduce young children to the fundamentals of soccer. They will learn to kick the ball, stop the ball with their foot, and not use their hands. NAOFA coaches will use positive reinforcement as they dribble, pass and shoot, play games, and have fun!

Session 1: Saturdays, January 11–February 15
Session 2: Saturdays, February 22–April 5 (Skip March 22)

GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
Ages 4–6	12:30–1:30PM	\$140	\$150

Everest Academy Gym, 5935 Clarkston Rd

NAOFA SOCCER CLUB

Whether your child is a beginner or a more advanced player, the drills taught during this club will improve a child's passing accuracy, touch and ball control, dribbling, and shooting. They will learn key lessons like decision-making, teamwork, and perseverance. Small-sided scrimmages and challenges will introduce kids to healthy competition where they will learn to let go of mistakes, celebrate success, and win and lose with dignity.

Session 1: Saturdays, January 11–February 15
Session 2: Saturdays, February 22–April 5 (Skip March 22)

GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
Ages 7–12	1:45–2:45PM	\$140	\$150

Everest Academy Gym, 5935 Clarkston Rd

WINTER RSVP (RUN, SPEED, VERTICAL POWER)

This club specializes in helping young athletes learn techniques that will help them no matter what sport they play. Through a series of skills, drills and challenges, our staff uses lateral ladders, cones and other obstacles to teach these young athletes, agility, balance, speed and power. Campers have fun developing their individual endurance, quickness, and confidence.

Session 1: Sundays, January 12–February 16
Session 2: Sundays, February 23–April 6 (Skip March 23)

GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
Ages 6–12	9:30–10:30AM	\$120	\$130

Everest Academy Gym, 5935 Clarkston Rd

For additional
soccer opportunities
see page 12.



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PRE-K THRU 8TH

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SPRING BREAK CAMP

SPRING BREAK CAMP

School's out for spring break; what's there to do? Sign-up for this exciting week of field trips! Field trips may include: swimming, movies, bowling, skating and more. Detailed information will be available in late January and registration begins February 10. Pre-registration is required. Registration deadline is March 19. A \$10 late fee will be added if spaces still exist after this deadline. Register for all 5 days and receive a discount!

Monday–Friday, March 24–28

GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
Grades K–5	9AM–4PM	\$42 daily \$195 weekly	\$47 daily \$220 weekly

Bay Court Park, Brady Lodge, 6970 Andersonville Rd.

SPRING BREAK AFTER CARE

For those families coming to Spring Break Camp, we will be offering After Care ONLY. After Care will run from 4–5pm daily and will be \$5 a day. Pre-registration only.

Monday–Friday, March 24–28

GROUP	TIME	COST
Grades K–5	4–5PM	\$5 daily

Bay Court Park, Brady Lodge, 6970 Andersonville Rd.



SUMMER DAY CAMPS

SNEAK PEAK

BAY COURT CAMP (K–5TH GRADES)

CLINTONWOOD CAMP (K–5TH GRADES)

DISCOVERY CAMP (6TH–9TH GRADES)

1. Weekly sessions (Monday–Friday) from June 9–August 8
2. 9AM–4PM (with Before & After Care available for an additional cost)
3. Week of August 11: Finish 'n' Fun Camp (Grades K–5 only, 9AM–4PM with NO Before & After Care)



REGISTRATION

Early Bird Registration for **returning families** for **full weeks only**: begins ONLINE Monday, April 21 at 9AM.

Registration for **individual** camp days and **new families** (both full weeks and individual days) begins ONLINE Monday, April 28 (contingent upon space) at 9AM.

In-person and over the phone registration available beginning Monday, April 28 at 9AM.

Further details will be released in our 2025 Camp Guide in early April.

BEFORE/AFTER CARE

For an additional fee, parents may utilize our very popular Before & After Care Program. Before Care starts daily at 7:30AM and After Care ends at 6PM. Pre-registration available for before and after care.

KARATE

SANCHIN-RYU'S KARATE CLASSES!

This is an ongoing course, where students have the opportunity to continue their education in the same location with no hidden fees! Instructors hold a ranking of at least 1st Degree Black Belt and maintain a continual (bi-monthly) certification to ensure the highest level of quality for their students. Uniforms are available, but not required. Classes are 6-week sessions.

Session 1: Thursdays, January 9–February 13

Session 2: Thursdays, February 20–March 27

Session 3: Thursdays, April 10–May 15

GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
Kids (K–8th Grade)	6–7PM	\$42	\$52
Family ALL AGES	7–8PM	\$84	\$94
Adult/Advanced	8–9PM	\$42	\$52
Taught by Sensei Matt Wachoski ■ Bay Court Park, Lakeview Room, 6970 Andersonville Rd.			

Session 1: Saturdays, January 11–February 15

Session 2: Saturdays, February 22–April 5 (Skip March 22)

Session 3: Saturdays, April 12–May 17

GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
Kids (K–8th Grade)	9–10AM	\$42	\$52
Family ALL AGES	10–11AM	\$84	\$94
Adult/Advanced	11AM–12PM	\$42	\$52
Taught by Sensei Ben Wolbert, 4th Degree Black belt ■ Bay Court Park, Lakeview Room, 6970 Andersonville Rd.			

SANCHIN-RYU'S KARATE FOR KIDS!

For Kindergarten–8th grade. This program combines two crucial courses into one, Sanchin-Ryu Karate & Self-Defense and Project: Secure Child (child safety). Students will be trained with proven, age-appropriate techniques that are necessary for kids to protect themselves from attackers. This program is set in a fun, yet structured, environment which will give your child a positive outlook on learning a martial art. We focus on healthy attitudes versus perfection! Participants will achieve great self-confidence and leadership through the physical techniques, mental strategies, drills and exercises they are led through.

SANCHIN-RYU'S KARATE FOR FAMILIES!

A Parent AND Child program for all ages! Set in a fun, non-competitive and informative atmosphere, this program allows parents to learn alongside their children. Physical techniques will be instructed along with drills and exercises, to help you have a positive experience with your self-defense education. Sanchin-Ryu will teach you how to use your whole body, rather than just certain muscle groups, so size and stature are not an issue.

SANCHIN-RYU'S KARATE FOR ADULTS!

For ages 14 and older. Set in a fun, non-competitive and informative atmosphere, this program is designed to empower today's adults with knowledge that can save your life! Students will learn a broad range of techniques including individual strikes, advanced combinations and more. You will also receive training on how to deal with, get out of and counter different grabs and other attack scenarios. Sanchin-Ryu will teach you how to use your whole body, rather than just certain muscle groups, so size and stature are not an issue.





TENNIS PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES!

Winter (6 week sessions)

Winter Session I: DEC 2-JAN 26

**No classes 12/23-1/5*

Winter Session II: JAN 27-MAR 9

Spring (6 week sessions)

Spring Session I: MAR 10-APR 19

**No classes 4/20 (Easter)*

Spring Session II: APR 21-JUN 2

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PROGRAM FEES

One Hour Tennis Class: \$168 per 6-week session

One-and-a-Half Hour Tennis Class: \$252 per 6-week session

Drop-in Adult Tennis: \$38 Member / \$43 Non-Member

Pickleball Ladder/Round-Robin: \$100 per 6 week session

Drop-in Pickleball Activities: *Please visit website for details

10% EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT—Check website for discount end dates

TENNIS:

Red Ball - 7-10 years (*6 year olds may be eligible, if they can work in a group setting and follow instructions for a one-hour class) Introduction to tennis with low-compression balls.

Orange Ball - 8-11 years A continuation of Red Ball, players work to refine their strokes. Low compression orange balls are used.

Teen Beginner - 12-16 Teens who are new to the game and want to learn to play tennis.

Green Dot Ball - 10-13 Players begin to rally the ball. This class is the next step from Teen Beginner and/or Orange Ball.

Junior Excellence - 11-14 Players with lesson experience, who can rally the ball and have learned all basic strokes. This is an appropriate class for Middle School team players.

High School Varsity Training - 14-18 Aspiring tournament players and High School Varsity and JV team players. Match Play is front and center, with live ball drills and on-court coaching.

***Top Flight Academy**—Level requirements; for advanced juniors. Email mimi@wessenitc.com or call 248-253-9300 for details.

Adult Beginner - 17+ Adults who have never played tennis, or have been away from the sport for an extended time.

Adult Adv. Beginner - 17+ NTRP 2.5-3.0 players.

Adult Intermediate - 17+ NTRP 3.0-3.5 players.

Organized Practice - 17+ NTRP 3.5+ players.

Rock & Roll Tennis - 17+ NTRP 3.0-4.0 players.

PICKLEBALL:

Beginner+ Round-Robin [1.0-2.75 DUPR]

MON 12:00-1:30 PM

MON 1:30-3:00 PM

Intermediate Ladder [2.75-3.25]

TUES 12:00-1:30 PM

THURS 1:30-3:00 PM

Advanced Ladder [3.25-4.0]

TUES 1:00-3:00 PM

THURS 12:00-1:30 PM

Pickleball Details—coleen@wessenitc.com or call 248-253-9300

CLASS	AGE	DAY	TIME
Red Ball	7-10	Tues	6:30-7:30 pm
Red Ball	7-10	Thurs	6:30-7:30 pm
Red Ball	7-10	Sat	11:00a-12:00 pm
Red Ball	7-10	Sun	3:00-4:00 pm
Teen Beginner	12-16	Mon	6:30-7:30 pm
Teen Beginner	12-16	Wed	6:30-7:30 pm
Teen Beginner	12-16	Fri	4:30-5:30 pm
Teen Beginner	12-16	Sat	12:00-1:00 pm
Teen Beginner	12-16	Sat	1:00-2:00 pm
Teen Beginner	12-16	Sun	4:00-5:00 pm
Orange Ball	8-11	Tues	6:30-7:30 pm
Orange Ball	8-11	Wed	6:30-7:30 pm
Orange Ball	8-11	Thurs	6:30-7:30 pm
Orange Ball	8-11	Fri	5:30-6:30 pm
Orange Ball	8-11	Sat	12:00-1:00 pm
Orange Ball	8-11	Sat	1:00-2:00 pm
Orange Ball	8-11	Sun	3:00-4:00 pm
Green Dot Ball	10-13	Mon	6:30-7:30 pm
Green Dot Ball	10-13	Tues	6:30-7:30 pm
Green Dot Ball	10-13	Thurs	6:30-7:30 pm
Green Dot Ball	10-13	Fri	4:30-5:30 pm
Green Dot Ball	10-13	Fri	5:30-6:30 pm
Green Dot Ball	10-13	Sat	1:00-2:00 pm
Green Dot Ball	10-13	Sat	3:30-4:30 pm
Green Dot Ball	10-13	Sun	4:00-5:00 pm
Junior Excellence	11-14	Sat	2:00-3:30 pm
Junior Excellence	11-14	Sun	12:00-1:30 pm
High School Varsity	14-18	Sat	3:30-5:00 pm
High School Varsity	14-18	Sun	1:30-3:00 pm
*Top Flight Academy	12-18	M-Th	4:30-6:30 pm
Adult Beginner	17+	Mon	7:30-9:00 pm
Adult Beginner	17+	Wed	11:30a-1:00 pm
Adult Adv Beginner	17+	Mon	7:30-9:00 pm
Adult Adv Beginner	17+	Tues	10:30a-12:00 pm
Adult Adv Beginner	17+	Wed	7:30-9:00 pm
Adult Adv Beginner	17+	Thurs	10:30a-12:00 pm
Adult Intermediate	17+	Tues	10:30a-12:00 pm
Adult Intermediate	17+	Thurs	7:30-9:00 pm
Organized Practice (drop-in)	17+	Sat	9:30-11:00 am
Organized Practice (drop-in)	17+	Sat	9:30-11:00 am
Rock & Roll Tennis (drop-in)	17+	Sun	10:30a-12:00pm
Jay's Jams—Cardio (drop-in)	17+	Tues	9:00-10:30 am
Jay's Jams—Cardio (drop-in)	17+	Thurs	9:00-10:30 am
Tennis with Tunes (drop-in)	17+	Sat	3:30-5:00 pm

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Battle of the Bands Big 3's Swing Dance - 3/15/25
Masonic Temple 7-12 p.m.
- Monthly Artist Mixers at the Clarkston Library - FREE
- Yearly Art Scholarships - Accepting Applications 2/1/25
- Art for Sale on on Main
- Harmony in the Park - FREE
- Art in the Village - FREE
- Join the Artist Directory - FREE
- Clarkston Buskfest -Summer 2025

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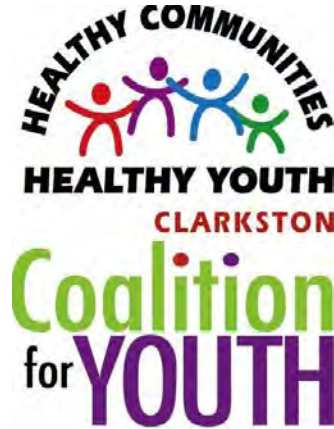


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The Clarkston Coalition for Youth is a non-profit organization funded by the Oakland County Health Division's Office of Substance Abuse. It is composed of individuals and organizations dedicated to promoting positive youth development. Members, including professionals and citizens of all ages, strive to strengthen families, help youth find meaningful roles in the community, facilitate intergenerational communication, and collaborate with other youth-serving groups.

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MOTHER'S DAY LUNCHEON

THURSDAY, MAY 8, 2025
SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER
11:30AM-2PM

SPLASH INTO SUMMER

FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 2025
DEER LAKE BEACH • 3-7PM



CHEESEBURGERS IN PARADISE FATHER'S DAY LUNCHEON

THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 2025
SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER
11:30AM-2PM

TEDDY BEAR PICNIC

THURSDAY
JUNE 12, 2025
BAY COURT PARK
10AM-12PM



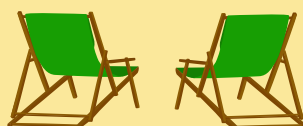
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SATURDAY, JUNE 28, 2025
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WEDNESDAY, JULY 23, 2025
BAY COURT PARK
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CERTIFIED BABYSITTER/CPR/FIRST AID AND SAFE HOME ALONE

Learn to be safe and responsible. Build confidence. Have a competitive edge over other babysitters. One-day class. Topics include: First aid, when and how to call 911, CPR with manikin practice, choking, dealing with difficult behaviors, basic care methods like feeding and diapering, marketing and much more! Students who successfully complete the course requirements are certified in Babysitter Safety, CPR and First Aid. Students will also learn how to be safe and responsible when home alone, including what to do if somebody comes to the door and the importance of not giving out personal information. Parents, class ends between 2 PM and 3 PM depending on when students complete the course requirements. Students need a lunch, snacks and a cell phone (if they own one). For more information please visit: www.livesafeacademy.com/babysitting

Sunday, March 9 OR June 8

GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
Ages 9+	9AM-3PM	\$75	\$85

Clintonwood Park, Bartsch Hall, 6000 Clarkston Rd.

ADULT AND PEDIATRIC FIRST AID/CPR/AED

Be prepared when seconds count! You might save a life, but only if you know what to do. Learn how to respond effectively to adult, child and infant cardiac and choking emergencies, sudden illness, bleeding, and other life-threatening conditions from the American Red Cross programs that set the national standard. You will also learn how to use an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) and your vital role in the chain of survival.

Tuesday, May 27

GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
Ages 12+	6-9:30PM	\$95	\$105

Clintonwood Park, Bartsch Hall 6000 Clarkston Rd.



CERTIFIED PET SITTER/CPR/FIRST AID

Kids, would you like to learn pet first aid and be a certified Pet Sitter? Increase your competitive edge by being more valuable to families with pets and kids. Learn to care for the pets in your own family. Have fun and help keep animals safe. This is an add on class for students who participate in the Certified Babysitter/CPR/First Aid course on the same day (students of a previous Live Safe Academy Certified Babysitter/CPR/First Aid course can become a certified pet sitter by taking a live virtual class). This program will begin after the babysitter safety class ends. Class should be concluded by 3 PM to 4 PM, depending on when the babysitter safety course is completed. Stuffed animal with realistic features to practice skills and extra snacks are optional, but not required. For more information please visit: www.livesafeacademy.com/babysitting

Sunday, March 9 OR June 8

GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
Ages 9+	3-4PM	\$15	\$18

Clintonwood Park, Bartsch Hall, 6000 Clarkston Rd



SELF DEFENSE FOR ADULTS AND TEENS

Can you defend yourself against a violent attack? Do you have the knowledge, skill and confidence to defend your family? You don't have to spend years training in an expensive program. Learn simple, lifesaving skills from programs designed to increase your safety after only one class! Our hands-on courses teach time-tested, realistic methods that are easy to learn and remember. Designed to be safe, this course instills confidence by building on success. You are coached according to your own rate of progression. No previous training required. A great stress reliever and lots of fun. Parents, serious topics are discussed openly but in a professional manner. Minors should be accompanied by a participating adult when possible.

Monday, March 31

GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
Ages 12+	6:30-8:30PM	\$40	\$50

Clintonwood Park, Carriage House, 6000 Clarkston Rd

SELF DEFENSE FOR CHILDREN

If someone wants to hurt our children, they won't choose a time or a place with witnesses. That means no parents, no teachers, no policemen, just our children and the predator. The safety of our children will depend on their ability to recognize a threat and respond effectively. This fun, interactive and age appropriate workshop teaches essential, lifesaving information about the threats facing our children, strategies for prevention and real-world techniques designed to reduce their risk of abductions, assaults and other forms of violence. But most of all, these programs teach students that they have the right to be safe, that no one has the right to hurt them and that their life is worth protecting. For more information please visit: www.livesafeacademy.com/childsafety

Monday, March 31

GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
Ages 6-11	5:30-6:30PM	\$20	\$25

Clintonwood Park, Carriage House, 6000 Clarkston Rd

SHOULD YOUR DOG JOIN THE CANINE ASSISTED THERAPY TEAM?



See page 38 for more info on the program.

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SUMMER DAY CAMP COUNSELOR

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AQUATIC STAFF

Are you confident in the water and have a love for being outside? Our Aquatic Staff is responsible for the general safety and maintenance of Deer Lake Beach. Staff will be assigned daily rotation shifts for supervising swimming areas, and well as teach swim lessons, provide excellent customer service, basic cash handling, and perform first aid and emergency response if needed. Aquatic Staff is also responsible for staffing the Spray Park at Clintonwood Park. All training and certification is provided. Applicants must be at least 16 years of age.



UMPIRE & REFEREE

Seeking motivated youth sport officials for youth baseball and softball program for ages 5+ and youth soccer program for ages 8–14. Successful candidates should have knowledge of the game and able to maintain standards of play to ensure games rules are properly observed. Pay varies by game and age group. Applicants must be at least 12 years of age.

ATHLETIC SITE SUPERVISOR

Do you enjoy working outside and being around the public? We are seeking motivated individuals for our Site Supervisor positions within our sports programs. Site Supervisors are responsible for the overall supervision of their assigned site during regularly scheduled activities and games. Site supervisors provide daily support to the operations of the program including customer service and supervision of game officials. Successful candidates are strong communicators, comfortable dealing with the general public and able to adapt in difficult and sometimes stressful situations. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age.

SPECIAL EVENT SUPPORT STAFF

ITPRS is seeking a motivated and energetic individual for the position of Special Event Support Staff. This position provides direct assistance planning and executing special events and programs between the months of May-August, as well as main office clerical support. The successful candidate should have outstanding verbal and written communications skills. The candidate should be comfortable making phone calls and working with sponsors/vendors face to face. This person should be familiar with Microsoft Office, have excellent interpersonal skills, the ability to work for multiple supervisors, be resourceful and creative. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age.

PARK RANGER

Park Rangers are responsible for the security of the park during evening and weekend hours. Successful candidates should be comfortable in dealing with the general public and able to adapt in difficult, sometimes stressful situations, should be able to provide excellent customer service and have strong communication skills. Duties include general upkeep and cleanliness of the park and will work alongside program supervisors to assist as necessary. This position is also responsible for room rental set-ups. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age.

PARK MAINTENANCE

Park Maintenance is responsible for general labor tasks in order to maintain a clean and safe environment in our park system. Successful candidates should be familiar with and have experience with the operation of all park equipment, and use of equipment on lawns, athletic fields, grounds etc. This person will assist full time park staff in the construction of projects, and repair of equipment. This position also requires the ability to work alone on special projects. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age.



Pay rates vary by job. Learn more and apply online at www.indtwp.com!



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Session 1: Mondays, January 13–March 3
Session 2: Mondays, March 10–April 28
Session 3: Mondays, May 5–June 23 (Skip May 26)

GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
Ages 18+	6–6:55PM	\$88	\$98

Bay Court Park, Lakeview Room, 6970 Andersonville Rd.

FUSION: BARRE/PILATES/YOGA

This total body fusion workout consistently delivers amazing results at record speed. This class utilizes a chair or barre and small weights to perform multiple high reps of small isolated movements, creating tiny, sculpted, shapely, long lean muscles. Created to tone, lift, and reshape the body, this 55-minute class creates defined abs, lifted glutes, slimmer hips, toned arms and long lean legs. Please bring a mat and light hand weights to class. ALL LEVELS WELCOME.

Session 1: Mondays, January 13–March 3
Session 2: Mondays, March 10–April 28
Session 3: Mondays, May 5–June 23 (Skip May 26)

GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
Ages 18+	7:15–8:10PM	\$88	\$98

Lakeview Room, Bay Court Park, 6970 Andersonville Rd.

SUMMER SAND VOLLEYBALL LEAGUES

Digs, bumps and spikes! All play will take place at Clintonwood Park on the sand volleyball courts. Play tentatively begins the week of June 2. All games are self-officiated. Registration begins March 3 for returning 2024 teams. Open Registration will begin on March 17. Leagues are first come, first serve.

Season begins the week of June 2
Women's Quads – Mondays Co-Rec Quads – Wednesdays

GROUP	TIME	COST
Ages 18+	6PM	\$200 per team

All games are held at Clintonwood Park



SPRING WOMEN'S SOCCER LEAGUES

Come try our recreational yet competitive league for women over 30 & over 40. Teams will play with 11 per side including goalkeeper. Teams must provide their own matching numbered uniforms. The regular season will be approximately 8 weeks, depending on the number of teams that sign up, no playoffs. Awards will be given to the 1st and 2nd place teams. Registration begins January 6. Cost per team (covers up to 25 players).

League tentatively begins Sunday, April 27 (8 weeks)
No games May 25.

GROUP	TIME	COST
Ages 30+	12–4PM	\$500 per team*
Ages 40+	12–4PM	\$500 per team*

All games are held at Clintonwood Park
*Referee fee per team per game paid in cash at the field.

SPRING/SUMMER ADULT SOFTBALL LEAGUES

Spring/Summer League runs from May 5 through mid-July. Priority registration for returning teams begins February 12. Open Registration begins on March 3.

League tentatively begins Monday, May 5

GROUP	TIME	COST
Ages 18+	6–10PM	\$650 per team*

All games are held at Clintonwood Park

INSTRUCTIONAL ARCHERY

Learn a new sport you can do for life! During this ten-week program participants will learn the basics of archery including safety, techniques, mental concentration and self-improvement. Equipment is provided or bring your own (must be approved by instructors before use). Please note: a parent/guardian must stay with child for the duration of the class.

Wednesdays, January 15–March 19

GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
Ages 8–Adult	4:30–6PM	\$85	\$95

Oakland County Sportsman's Club, 4770 Waterford Rd., Clarkston

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See page 38 for more info on the program.

LEARN TO PAINT LIKE BOB ROSS

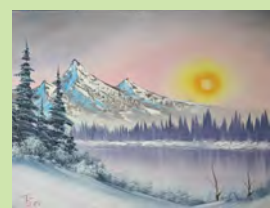
Join Certified instructor Ted Simpson, as he guides you through a complete oil painting in just a few hours. Paint fluffy clouds, strong mountains and of course, happy little trees! No experience is required and ALL supplies are included to make your masterpiece. Price is per session.

Session 1: Sunday, January 12
Session 2: Sunday, February 9
Session 3: Sunday, March 9
Session 4: Sunday, April 13
Session 5: Sunday, May 11

DAY	GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
SUN	Ages 19+	12–3PM	\$70	\$80

Bay Court Park, Lakeview Room, 6970 Andersonville Rd.

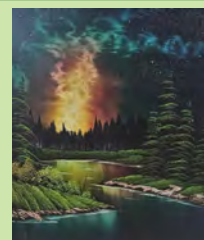
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February 9



March 9



April 13



May 11





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Clarkston Community Garden

WHAT WE DO

The purpose of the Clarkston Community Garden is to create a sustainable organic garden for meeting the community needs while engaging community participation in an outdoor, lifelong activity. We give visitors a place to escape their hectic worlds and enjoy a slower pace of life; working alongside their families to grow fresh produce. We keep our community healthy, donating produce to those friends and families in need. For details on becoming a part of the Garden or if you would like to be added to our email list call us at 248-625-8223.

SHARE GARDEN PROGRAM

COMING 2025! Rent your plot at the Clarkston Community Garden. 10x10 and 10x20 plots will be available. More details to be released in the coming months. Join our mailing list to stay up to date on all garden news and happenings by calling 248-625-8223.

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Come volunteer with us! Bring tools, sun protection and be ready to dig! We may need you to plant, weed, harvest vegetables, or assist with side projects. Volunteer as an individual, a family or organize a group of teammates or co-workers. Call 248-625-8223 for more volunteer information.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

If your business is looking for a way to get involved in the community, the Garden is seeking sponsors to help enhance our gardeners' experience, fund improvements, and to support operations of the of the garden and the park. Contact Amy at amyl@indtwp.com to learn more.



THERAPEUTIC RECREATION

These programs are designed for persons with cognitive disabilities with or without physical impairments.

Pre-Registration and pre-payment is required for all Therapeutic Recreation Programs.



TR BUDDY BASKETBALL

TR Buddy Basketball is a non-competitive recreational league for boys and girls, ages 7–13. Each player will be paired with a Buddy, ages 10–17, to assist as needed. This 6-week long league is held on Mondays.

Tuesdays, January 21–February 25

GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
Ages 7–13	6–7PM	\$40	\$50
Buddies: Ages 10–17		FREE	
Everest Academy Gym, 5935 Clarkston Rd.			

A mandatory Coaches & Buddy meeting will be held on January 21 at Everest Academy Cafe at 5:30PM.

TR BASKETBALL CLUB

Basketball Club is returning this Winter! For 6 weeks we will scrimmage, work on skills, and maybe have time for a game or two. This recreational league is for participants ages 14+.

Tuesdays, January 21–February 25

GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
Ages 14+	7:15–8:15PM	\$40	\$50
Everest Academy Gym, 5935 Clarkston Rd.			

A mandatory Coaches meeting will be held on January 21 at Everest Academy Cafe at 6:45PM.

NEWSLETTER

We are looking to add more exciting programs and events throughout the year, which we will announce in our newsletters. Make sure you are on our mailing list! Call Maddie Wozniak, at 248-625-8223, or email mwozniak@indtwp.com to be added.

TR KICKBALL

Join us as we kick our way to spring. This new 6-week league will play indoor kickball. We will work on skills for kickball and then play a game in the indoor gym.

Thursdays, March 13–April 24 (Skip March 27)

GROUP	TIME	COST
Ages 14+	6–7PM	\$40
Everest Academy Gym, 5935 Clarkston Rd.		

TR BUDDY SOCCER

TR Buddy Soccer is a non-competitive recreational league for boys and girls, ages 7–14. Each player is paired with a Buddy, ages 10–17 to assist as needed. This 6-week league is held on Tuesday evenings.

Tuesdays, April 15–May 20

GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
Ages 7–14	5:30–6:30PM	\$40	\$50
Buddies: Ages 10–17		FREE	
Sashabaw Plains Park, 5620 Maybee Rd.			

A mandatory Coaches & Buddy meeting will be held on April 15, at 5:15PM, Sashabaw Plains Park, before game.

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Email: dispatchers@ridenota.org

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Monday to Friday 6AM to 9PM

Saturday 8AM to 4PM (Local limited service)

Sunday 8AM to 2PM (Local limited service)

Scheduling Policy: Call 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.



TR TRAVEL SOFTBALL

This league, for players 14+ is in coordination with Waterford, Lake Orion, and Rochester Parks & Recreation Departments. This 15-week league has practice on Tuesday evenings in May–July and games on Thursday evenings in June–July. Home games and practices will be held at Clintonwood Park. For our away games, we will travel to opponents fields. At the end of the season we will celebrate with a picnic!

Practice: Tuesdays, May–July
Games: Thursdays, June–July

GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
Ages 14+	Practice: 6–7PM Games: 6:30–8PM	\$45	\$55
Clintonwood Park, 6000 Clarkston Rd			

COACHES & BUDDIES NEEDED

Contact Maddie Wozniak, mwozniak@indtwp.com

INTERESTED IN SPONSORING?

Contact Amy Laboissonniere, amyl@indtwp.com



ACCESSIBILITY

The Charter Township of Independence, Department of Parks, Recreation & Seniors provides high quality recreation services for all residents. The Department invites people with disabilities to participate in all programs and activities it offers. Reasonable accommodations will be made.

Also, Independence Township organizes programs specifically designed for persons with cognitive disabilities, with or without physical impairment, listed under our Therapeutic Recreation offerings. For program information or to get on our mailing list, call the Main Office at 248-625-8223.

TR PIZZA & MOVIE NIGHT

Enjoy an evening with your friends for a favorite movie and delicious pizza! Bring a DVD—we'll take a vote and might choose yours! Registration includes salad, 2 slices of pizza, a drink and snacks. Extra pizza slices are \$1 per slice and must be requested at time of registration. Caregivers who are not participating or receiving dinner are welcome to attend at no cost, however must register for space considerations. Caregivers will pay if they wish to eat.

Fridays, January 10, February 7, March 7, April 4, May 2

GROUP	TIME	COST
Ages 14+	6–8PM	\$10/person
Clintonwood Park, Bartsch Hall, 6000 Clarkston Rd.		

TR BINGO NIGHT

Join your friends for everyone's favorite game of B-I-N-G-O! Registration includes light refreshments, games supplies, and prizes. Caregivers who are not participating or receiving refreshments are welcome to attend at no cost, however caregivers must register for space considerations.

Fridays, January 24, February 21, March 21, April 18, May 16

GROUP	TIME	COST
Ages 14+	6–8PM	\$10/person
Clintonwood Park, Carriage House, 6000 Clarkston Rd.		

TR KARATE – PKSA CLARKSTON

This 6-week Karate program is for all abilities. We will work on beginner skills and strengthen skills you may already have.

Session 1: Fridays, February 7–March 14

Session 2: Fridays, April 11–May 16

GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
All Ages	4–4:30PM	\$30	\$35
PKSA-Clarkston, 7137 Dixie Highway			

TR BUDDY THEATER CAMP

Theater is for everyone! Parents and caregivers will be asked to come early at the last session of the camp to enjoy a live performance.

Wednesdays, March 12–April 23 (Skip March 26)

GROUP	TIME	RES.	NON.
Ages 7+	6–7PM	\$40	\$50
Buddies: Ages 10–17		FREE	
Bay Court Park, Lakeview Room, 6970 Andersonville Rd.			
<i>A Buddy meeting will be held on March 12 at the Lakeview Room in Bay Court Park at 5:30PM.</i>			



TR DANCE

Join us for our annual Prom at Brady Lodge! This rocking dance will take place on Friday May 9, 2025. Invite your friends for this can't miss night of music, fun and dancing!

Friday, May 9, 2025

GROUP	TIME	COST
Ages 14+	6–8PM	\$15/person
Bay Court Park, Brady Lodge, 6970 Andersonville Rd		

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2025 Summer
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(includes Sept 1-Dec 31)
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From The Independence Township Senior Community Center

ABOUT THE SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER

The Independence Township Senior Community Center is located inside Clintonwood Park in Clarkston. The Center offers discounted recreation, wellness programs, drop-in activities, trips and services for adults aged 50 and over. Programs take place at the Senior Community Center, Carriage House, and numerous sites throughout the community. Our quarterly newsletter can be found on the township website or become a member and have a copy mailed to you.

COMMUNITY CENTER HOURS

Monday–Friday: 8AM–5PM

6000 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, MI 48348
Phone: 248-625-8231 ■ Fax: 248-922-3189
[www.indtwp.com/Departments/
Senior Community Center](http://www.indtwp.com/Departments/Senior%20Community%20Center)



MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Your membership is valid from the date you sign up until a year from that date. Couples must sign up at the same time to receive the membership rate. Our membership fees are:

- **Celebrate 90+ years young with a FREE membership!**
- Per person \$17 residents / \$27 non-residents
- Per couple \$27 residents / \$37 non-residents

**Residents are persons who pay taxes to Independence Township, live in the City of the Village of Clarkston or Springfield Township.*

All members will receive a quarterly newsletter and one-time \$5.00 coupon that can be used towards programs or travel. (Membership entitles you to discounts on programs and 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.

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.

SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER STAFF

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: Patty Collins, MSW

Travel Coordinator: Mary Melega

Part Time Clerk: Susan Berry and Laura Naglik

Receptionist: Nancy Shuman

Nutrition Supervisor: Sue DePoorter

Meals on Wheels & Site Hostess:
Barbara Szemutowicz

Custodian: Carol Vickery

Building & Grounds Maintenance Technician:
Tony Hernandez



HAPPY BIRTHDAY MICHIGAN LUNCHEON

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.

Sponsored by FRIENDS of the Senior Community Center and Hospice of Michigan

Thursday, January 30

TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
12PM	\$11	\$13
Clintonwood Park, Senior Community Center, 6000 Clarkston Rd.		

SENIOR SERVICES

INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE

Senior Services Coordinator, Patricia Collins, helps seniors and their caregivers locate area services and resources. Call 248-625-8231 ext. 417 for assistance with housing information, legal referrals, Medicare/Medicaid counseling, prescription and long-term care decisions and transportation.

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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 is \$4 per meal. To sign up contact the Older Persons Commission (OPC) at 248-608-0264 or the Center at 248-625-8231 for more information. The OPC Senior Center in Rochester provides this service to Independence Township and Clarkston through a grant with the Area Agency on Aging 1B.

Thank you to the sponsors who've generously supported the Meals on Wheels program!

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SECRETARY OF STATE MOBILE UNIT

Services provided by the Secretary of State office will be available in Bartsch Hall! You will be able to renew a driver's license or ID, transfer a title, or apply for or renew a disability placard. Call the Senior Community Center to schedule an appointment time.

Tuesday, January 7 & Wednesday, April 23

TIME	COST
10AM–3PM	NO CHARGE

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT LOAN CLOSET

Pick Up: Call to determine availability of equipment and schedule a pick up time.

Drop Off: Afternoons with prior approval.

Walkers, canes, commode chairs, shower seats, wheelchairs and other items are available for loan. A cash deposit is required for some items. Donations only accepted with prior approval. All returned/donated items must be in good condition, cleaned and sanitized. Medications and medical supplies are not accepted.

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.

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. Contact Theresa at the Center at 248-625-8231 for additional information.

NOTARY SERVICE

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

HEARING SCREENINGS

Free hearing screenings are available! Oakland Audiology will provide hearing screenings and answer your questions at your scheduled appointment.

Fourth Monday of the Month

TIME	COST
1:30–3:30PM	NO CHARGE

ADDITIONAL SERVICES

- Attorney Consultations
- Bereavement Support Group
- Low Vision Support Group
- Visiting Podiatrist

AARP TAX ASSISTANCE

This service is offered on **Fridays, February 7–April 11** to seniors and low income individuals. Due to high demand, appointments will be scheduled beginning **January 7** for members, Independence Twp., Springfield Twp., and the Village of Clarkston residents. Other calls will be received beginning January 14. A list of required documents is published in the Be engAGED newsletter.



ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

This 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

TIME	COST
3PM	NO CHARGE



PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP

Group meeting for those diagnosed with Parkinson's disease and their care providers. Learn about resources and coping strategies from speakers and other group members.

Second Wednesday of the Month

TIME	COST
1:30PM	NO CHARGE



SITE LUNCHES

"Homemade lunches" are served at the Center on Thursdays at 12PM. Cost is \$8 for a full meal unless otherwise specified. Monthly menu selections can be found in our Be engAGED newsletter. To register, call the office at 248-625-8231 by 5PM the Monday prior to lunch. You must pay in advance to reserve your lunch (no refunds).

ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS

PROGRAM REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION

Register for programs/activities/travel by calling 248-625-8231 or in person at the Senior Community Center; payable by cash, check (made to Independence Township), and all major credit cards accepted (processing fee of 2.75% + \$.30, pricing reflects member and non-member fees).

Most activities and programs take place in the Senior Community Center or Carriage House. When calling to register please verify the location.

WELCOME WAGON

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!

January 14 and April 8

TIME	COST
10AM	NO CHARGE

HEALTHY EATING IN THE NEW YEAR

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

Tuesday, January 14

TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
1PM	\$2	\$4

RIGHTSIZING, ORGANIZING, & HOME TRANSITIONS PLANNING

Ready to transition to the next chapter of life? Looking to get your house in order? Gain the knowledge and tools needed to make the 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.

Wednesday, January 22

TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
1:30PM	\$2	\$4

For additional up-to-date offerings check out the Be engAGED quarterly newsletter by visiting www.indtwp.com or stop by the Senior Community Center.

SENIOR LIVING – FACTS & SNACKS

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.

Tuesday, February 11

TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
2PM	\$2	\$4



VALENTINE'S DAY LUNCHEON

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. Sponsored by FRIENDS of the Senior Community Center.

Thursday, February 13

TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
12PM	\$11	\$13

ST. PATRICK'S DAY LUNCHEON



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! Sponsored by FRIENDS of the Senior Community Center.

Thursday, March 13

TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
12PM	\$11	\$13

MOTHER'S DAY LUNCHEON

Join us in a spring themed Mother's Day celebration with live entertainment. Registration deadline: May 5. Registration begins April 1. Sponsored by FRIENDS of the Senior Community Center.

Thursday, May 8

TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
12PM	\$11	\$13

For more information on our special lunches, check our Be engAGED newsletter for more details.

HEALTHY LIVING FOR BRAIN & BODY

Your choices 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.

Tuesday, March 11

TIME	COST
1PM	NO CHARGE

MATTER OF BALANCE – MANAGING CONCERNS ABOUT FALLS

Many older adults experience 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 the Area Agency on Aging and led by two trained instructors. Pre-registration is required.

Tuesdays, April 1 – May 20

TIME	COST
1:30 – 3:30PM	NO CHARGE

BINGO

Come and join the crew for traditional bingo. There is an additional \$0.25 charge per bingo card.

Thursdays

TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
1PM	\$1	\$2
Clintonwood Park, Carriage House, 6000 Clarkston Rd.		

BUNCO

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. Fees cover drop-in play and prize money.

Second Tuesday

TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
10AM – 12PM	\$5	\$6

CLUB BOOKWORM

Love to read? Come and share your opinions and insights with our informal group as we never judge a book by its cover. A monthly book selection is available for pickup at the book discussion meeting or any time after in the office.



Last Thursday

TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
10AM	\$1	\$2

DINNER AND EUCHE

Enjoy a home-cooked meal followed by 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 preferred. Don't forget your quarters. *Pre-registration is required. Deadline is Monday prior by 5PM.

Third Wednesday		
TIME	COST	
Check-in begins: 5:15PM Dinner: 6PM	\$15	

KNITTING GROUP

Our knitters make newborn and chemo caps among other charitable knitted and/or crocheted items. Hospitals are very grateful for our donations. We are always looking for 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.

Wednesdays and Fridays		
TIME	COST	
Wednesdays, 10AM	NO CHARGE	
Fridays, 12PM		

WOMENS CIRCLE

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, no registration necessary.

First Tuesday of the month starting January 7, 2025		
TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
10:30–11:30AM	\$1	\$2

MEET AND GREET THE SUPERVISOR

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

Wednesday, February 26		
TIME	COST	
10AM	NO CHARGE	

INDEPENDENCE DISTRICT LIBRARY

Join us for an afternoon movie and popcorn. Call the Center for monthly film titles.

Third Thursday	
TIME	COST
1:30PM	\$1
6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston	

ASK THE ATTORNEY

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 to schedule an appointment.

Mondays		
TIME	COST	
15 minute appointments	NO CHARGE	

MY LEGAL & FINANCIAL SOLUTIONS

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. Pre-registration required.

Second Thursday		
TIME	COST	
9:30AM	NO CHARGE	

RECYCLED GREETING CARDS

Stop in and see our beautiful, recreated, recycled cards! The bargain cost is \$.50 per card or 5 for \$2.00. 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. Join us monthly as we work to create these greeting cards!

Second Friday		
TIME	COST	
9AM	NO CHARGE TO ATTEND	

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

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 want to learn to spin, we will teach you. If you don't have a spinning wheel, we have drop spindles for you to use. Most of the group also weave, knit and/or crochet.



2nd and 4th Monday of the month		
TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
1PM	\$1	\$2
Lakeview Room, Bay Court Park		

TECH TIPS FOR YOUR VEHICLE

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.

Wednesday, April 2		
TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
1PM	\$2	\$3

WOODCARVING

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.



Fridays		
TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
10AM	\$1	\$2

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

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

MONDAY

Pickleball
Monday–Friday
at 9AM

Line Dance
Mondays at 10AM

Bridge – Drop in
Mondays at 12PM

Euchre
Mondays at 1PM

TUESDAY

Welcome Wagon
See page 34.

Bunco
Second Tuesday
at 10AM

Double Deck Pinochle
Tuesdays at 1PM

WEDNESDAY

Knitting Group
Wednesdays at 10AM

Mahjong
Wednesdays at 12:30PM

Traditional Jazz Band
Last Wednesday at 1–4PM

Dinner & Euchre
Third Wednesday
at 6PM

THURSDAY

Hand and Foot
Thursdays
at 10AM

Club Bookworm
Last Thursday
at 10AM

Lunch
Thursdays
at 12PM

Bingo
Thursdays at 1PM

Movies at the Library
3rd Thursday
at 1:30PM

FRIDAY

Recycled Greeting Cards
Second Friday at 9AM

Woodcarving
Fridays at 10AM

Knitting Group
Fridays at 12PM

Double Deck Pinochle
Fridays at 1PM

CREATIVE & ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES



TRADITIONAL JAZZ BAND

Traditional Jazz musicians get together and jam. Everyone is invited to stop by the Carriage House and enjoy their music. If you are interested in joining the group, call the Center.

Last Wednesday		
TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
1 PM	\$1	\$2
Clintonwood Park, Carriage House, 6000 Clarkston Rd.		

SPRING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The gardens surrounding the Senior Community Center are all maintained by volunteers, and we would like to invite you to join our group. We would love your help in the gardens with planting, weeding, and spreading mulch to maintain the beautiful flowers, shrubs, and trees. This is a terrific way to volunteer and meet new friends. The group meets Monday mornings 9:30AM–12PM starting in April. Call the Center for more details. No experience required.



HEARTFULNESS MEDITATION

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.

TBD		
TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
6:30–7:15PM	TBD	TBD



ANYONE CAN PAINT

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.

Tuesday, January 21 Tuesday, February 18 Monday, March 17 Monday, April 21 Monday, May 19		
TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
9–11AM	\$23	\$25



SELF DEFENSE FOR SENIORS

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. If you would like to attend, please call the Senior Community Center at 248-625-8231 to register. *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.

Tuesday, February 25	
TIME	COST
1–3PM	NO CHARGE

All activities with no location indicated are held:

Clintonwood Park, Senior Community Center,
6000 Clarkston Rd.

GROUP PIANO LESSONS

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.

CELL PHONE 101

Confused about your cell phone? This individualized, introductory workshop will answer your questions and build your confidence. Call to register.

Android, Tuesday, January 21 iPhone, Tuesday, February 18		
TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
1:30PM	\$2	\$4



SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER YEARBOOK!

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 on Wednesday, February 5 in helping these students hone their skills while creating lasting memories together! Call the Center to sign-up, limited spots available.

ARTS AND CRAFTS

GLASS SUCCULENT

Create your own forever succulent plant that never needs water or sunlight! Choose from multiple colors of sea glass or recycled glass to match any decor. Make a 12" acacia wood tray with 3"x3" 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.



Tuesday, January 21

TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
1PM	\$42	\$45

My New Favorite Thing, 4755 Dixie Hwy, Waterford Township

FOUR SEASONS TREE ACRYLIC PAINTING

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.



Tuesday, February 18

TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
1-3PM	\$33	\$35

My New Favorite Thing, 4755 Dixie Hwy, Waterford Township

HELLO SPRING PORCH LEANER

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



Tuesday, March 18

TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
10AM-12PM	\$28	\$30

My New Favorite Thing, 4755 Dixie Hwy, Waterford Township

FOILING WORKSHOP

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 one-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.



Tuesday, April 15

TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
1-3PM	\$15	\$17

My New Favorite Thing, 4755 Dixie Hwy, Waterford Township

FLOWER TEA LIGHT LANTERN

Join us for a delightful hands-on crafting session where you'll create beautiful, nature-inspired decorations perfect for spring! In this workshop, you'll be guided step-by-step to make a stunning Paper Flower (battery operated) Tea Light Holder and two charming Spring-Themed Cards. Instructor: Beth House.



Tuesday, May 20

TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
10AM	\$23	\$25

My New Favorite Thing, 4755 Dixie Hwy, Waterford Township

Attendance and refund policy: Due to customization and timing of supplies, along with the popularity of workshops, your purchased registration is only good 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. Special in-store discounts for Senior Day at My New Favorite Thing the third Tuesday of every month.

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.



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

**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.**

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SPORTS, EXERCISE AND FITNESS CLASSES

BODY MANAGEMENT

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. No class in August.

Mondays and Fridays

Session 1: January 6–31 (no class January 20)

Session 2: February 3–21 (no class February 17)

Session 3: March 3–31

Session 4: April 4–28 (no class April 18 & 21)

Session 5: May 2–30 (no class May 12, 16 & 26)

	TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
Session 1	11–11:50AM	\$32*	\$37*
Session 2		\$23*	\$28*
Session 3		\$41*	\$46*
Session 4		\$27*	\$32*
Session 5		\$27*	\$32*

Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road

***Drop in Fee: \$7**

GROUP EXERCISE

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.

Mondays and Wednesdays
Session 1: January 6–February 26 (no class Jan 20, Feb 17 & Feb 19)
Session 2: March 3–April 16
Session 3: April 28–May 28 (no class May 26)

	TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
Session 1	9:30–10:30AM	\$85	\$90
Session 2		\$91	\$96
Session 3		\$59	\$64

***Drop in Fee: \$9**

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. Dogs/handlers begin training in a controlled environment, after successfully passing the AKC (American Kennel Club) guidelines, teams will do facilities site visits, exposing them to variety of conditions and finding their best fit for future service as a certified AKC, CGC/CGCA Canine Good Citizen/Canine Good Citizen Advanced team.

This 13-week session runs Mondays, February 24–May 19, 7–8:30 PM, in Bartsch Hall at the Independence Township Senior Community Center. Go to usatherapydogs.org and follow the prompts to Get Started/Join Now or call 810-441-9035. Guidelines and restrictions apply. All members of USA TD are volunteers.



PICKLEBALL

INDOOR PICKLEBALL

Monday–Friday. Play through mid April.
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

Mt. Zion Community Center, 1585 Crescent Lake Road, Waterford
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
Play begins end of April, weather permitting.

TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
8:30–11:30AM	5 Punch Card \$10	5 Punch Card \$15
	10 Punch Card \$18	10 Punch Card \$27
	20 Punch Card \$34	20 Punch Card \$51

Clintonwood Park, Outdoor Courts, 6000 Clarkston Rd
Drop-in Fee: \$3 (Cash only) paid on site
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.
Please note: Punch Cards purchased for Indoor Pickleball cannot be used for Outdoor Pickleball.

PICKLEBALL LESSONS

Do you want to learn the game or improve your skills? Keep an eye out for our April/May/June Be engAGED newsletter for lesson dates.



TAI CHI

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.wustylorocheester.com for more information. Call the Senior Community Center for current class schedules.

Session 1: Mondays, January 6–March 24 (no class Jan 20 & Feb 17)
Session 2: Mondays, April 7–June 16 (no class May 26)

TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
11AM–12PM	\$65*	\$70*
Clintonwood Park, Carriage House, 6000 Clarkston Rd. *Drop in Fee: \$9		

Session 1: Wednesdays, January 8–March 26
(no class Jan 22 & Feb 19)
Session 2: Wednesdays, April 9–June 18 (no class May 28)

TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
11AM–12PM	\$65*	\$70*
Clintonwood Park, Carriage House, 6000 Clarkston Rd. *Drop in Fee: \$9		

CHAIR YOGA

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.



Session 1: Tuesdays, January 7–February 11
Session 2: Tuesdays, February 25–April 1
Session 3: Tuesdays, April 15–May 20

TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
1–2PM	\$39*	\$44*
Clintonwood Park, Carriage House, 6000 Clarkston Rd. *Drop in Fee: \$9		

Session 1: Thursdays, January 9–February 13
Session 2: Thursdays, February 27–April 3
Session 3: Thursdays, April 17–May 22

TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
1–2PM	\$39*	\$44*
Clintonwood Park, Carriage House, 6000 Clarkston Rd. *Drop in Fee: \$9		

ADAPTIVE YOGA

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.

Session 1: Tuesdays, January 7–February 18
Session 2: Tuesdays, February 25–April 8
Session 3: Tuesdays, April 15–May 27

TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
9–10AM	\$46*	\$51*
Clintonwood Park, Carriage House, 6000 Clarkston Rd. *Drop in Fee: \$9		

LINE DANCING

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.



Mondays		
TIME	MEM	NON-MEM
10AM–12:15PM	\$5	\$6
Clintonwood Park, Senior Community Center, 6000 Clarkston Rd.		

Program Policy Information

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. shirts, materials) are involved. A \$10 service fee will be withheld from this refund. **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. If the class fee the patron is transferring to is more than the original class, the patron will be responsible for the difference. **No refunds will be issued for special events, special lunches or dinner and euvre.** All refunds will be refunded 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. Account Credits will remain on the customer's account five years from the date of the credit posting. ***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.**

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 Scholarship

Sponsored by:

To expand access to Senior Community Center programs and activities for lower income seniors, financial assistance is available. Scholarship monies may apply to Thursday lunches, exercise classes, enrichment activities, educational programs and van transportation.





GOLDEN YEARS AT THE SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER

1975 Seniors began meeting in basement of Township Hall (90 N Main Street) for lunch, cards, and bingo five times a week. Bowling was the only off-site program. Meals on Wheels were delivered by volunteers under the direction of a part-time coordinator. OLSHA shipped these meals in for both lunch in the basement and Meals on Wheels.

1977 Seniors moved Sashabaw Presbyterian Church.

1978 Parks & Recreation purchased five acres and three buildings on Clarkston Road in Clintonwood Park. The Firellio Family owned the park office and the Smith Family resided in the four bedroom house. The Carriage House had stalls for sheep and horses. The current parking lot was a corral.

1979 In October the new Senior Center opened in Clintonwood Park farm house.

1980 The transportation system started with a van donated by the Rotary Club of Clarkston. Suggested donation was \$.50 per ride. A Senior Advisory Committee was formed. Extended trips included Hawaii and Mexico. The Home Chore program operated with CDBG funds to provide house cleaning services to local seniors in need of extra help.

1990 Distribution of newsletters began to residents age 55+ in the township.

1999 to 2006 New programs were added: quilting, knitting, computer lessons, exercise with weights, Tai Chi, line dancing, healing touch, attorney consultations, daytime parties as well as more volunteer opportunities.

The Senior Advisory Committee was revised as new members were recruited, and by-laws were developed.

2007 Building of the new Senior Center began directly behind the old Senior Center.

On September 19, 2007, the old Senior Center was demolished. All Senior Center operations were moved to the Carriage House during demo and preparations.

On October 16, 2007, ribbon cutting by Fern Schultz and an open house were held for the new Senior Center.

2008 The Senior Center became computerized and staff started using RecPro Software to register customers for activities, trip and programs.

2011 Membership started with two members in the new registration program.

Department changes name from Parks & Recreation TO Parks, Recreation & Seniors to better represent all the offerings of the department from youth through 50+ (and beyond.) The change was meant to better identify goals and mission.

The Senior Center changes name to the Senior Community Center.

2015 On March 27, 2015, ground was broken for the new addition of Bartsch Hall to the Senior Center.

On August 12, 2015, there was a grand re-opening of the Senior Center showing off new Bartsch Hall addition. The ribbon cutting was done by Carolyn Morrison.

Outdoor pickleball courts were installed in Clintonwood Park.

2016 Senior Community Center front office renovated. The Parks, Recreation & Senior's Department received their initial CAPRA (Commission for Accreditation of Parks and Recreation Agencies) Accreditation status from the National Recreation and Park Association Congress in St. Louis, MO.

2020 Covid pandemic didn't stop the Senior Community Center staff. Township offices were shut down in March, but staff reached out to nearly 1,400 members to check on their well-being, as well as operated and delivered Meals on Wheels. Transportation continued with limited services with medical appointments.

2022 Department successfully completes CAPRA re-accreditation in Phoenix, AZ.

2024 • 1500 members • 131 volunteers giving over 10,000 hours • 900 senior services participants • 9000 Meals on Wheels delivered • 1000+ travel participants • 1300+ special event participants • 11,000 athletics/fitness participants • 900 enrichment classes and presentation participants • 6500+ special interest group participants totaling • 38,000 overall program participants •

TRAVEL



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.
- Requests for handicap seating for concerts/theater trips and/or special accommodations for extended trips must be made at registration.
- If you have a specific food allergy, please provide us with that information upon 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.
- 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.

Note: We are currently encountering an increase of costs including event tickets, restaurant meals and transportation. We are doing our best to provide quality trips at the most reasonable price possible. We appreciate your loyalty to Independence Township Senior Community Center.

Trip refund policy: 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.

Special thanks to the
sponsors who support
our travel program!



DAY TRIPS

Refer to the Be enGAGED senior newsletter for additional day trip information.

**GONE 2 PARADISE – MUSIC OF
JIMMY BUFFETT – MACOMB CENTER
FOR THE ARTS** 🦶

January 18, 2025

**Registration for the ten day trips
listed below begins January 2, 2025**

**THE ANGEL NEXT DOOR –
MEADOWBROOK** 🦶

Wednesday, February 26, 2025

FIREKEEPERS CASINO 🦶🦶

Wednesday, March 12, 2025

LA VIDA LOCA – DSO 🦶

Friday, March 14, 2025

**HENRY FORD – FEATURING HENRY FORD
MUSEUM AND ROUGE FACTORY** 🦶🦶

Tuesday, March 25, 2025

**VANITIES, THE MUSICAL –
MEADOWBROOK** 🦶

Wednesday, April 2, 2025

SOARING EAGLE CASINO 🦶🦶

Wednesday, April 16, 2025

WOMEN ROCK – DSO 🦶

Friday, April 25, 2025

THE RAT PACK – MEADOWBROOK 🦶

Wednesday, April 30, 2025

**MY MOTHER AND THE MICHIGAN OHIO
WAR – PURPLE ROSE THEATER** 🦶

Wednesday, May 7, 2025

HAMILTON – WHARTON CENTER 🦶

Thursday, May 22, 2025

ON THE HORIZON

SHEAR MADNESS – MEADOWBROOK

June 2025

FIESTA DETROIT!

June 2025

SAGANING CASINO

June 2025

SAUGATUCK

July 2025

DETROIT PRINCESS

August 2025

**GENETTI'S LUNCH AND
MURDER MYSTERY**

October 2025

Endurance Level Key



Little walking and physical endurance.
(Ex. Going to a luncheon 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)

EXTENDED TRIPS

PLEASE NOTE: Beginning May 7, 2025, Michigan residents will be required to present REAL ID compliant documentation to fly within the United States and enter certain federal facilities. For more information go to: www.michigan.gov/sos/license-id/real-id.



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

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.

March 26–April 14, 2025

GROUP	SINGLE	DOUBLE
Member	\$12,249	\$10,249

Deposit: \$698

Balance Due: December 25, 2024

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

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 at a Sedona Resort Hotel, 5 breakfasts 3 dinners, professional tour director hotel transfers and baggage handling.

May 4–9, 2025

GROUP	SINGLE	DOUBLE
Member	\$4,324*	\$3,449*

*with booking discount

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"

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.

May 18–25, 2025

GROUP	SINGLE	DOUBLE
Member	\$4,399	\$3,099

Additional \$10 for non-members.

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

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.

June 11–13, 2025

GROUP	SINGLE	DOUBLE
Member	\$1,100	\$850

Additional \$10 for non-members.

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

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.

July 14–17, 2025

GROUP	SINGLE	DOUBLE
Member	\$1,699	\$1,399

Additional \$10 for non-members.

Deposit: \$200

Balance Due: May 14, 2025

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



SHIPSHEWANA OVERNIGHT

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

July 29–30, 2025

GROUP	SINGLE	DOUBLE
Member	\$470	\$380

Additional \$10 for non-members.

Deposit: \$100

Balance Due: June 15, 2025

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



DISCOVER SCOTLAND

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, round-trip airfare, air taxes and fees/surcharges, hotel transfers and transportation to and from airport.

August 9–18, 2025

GROUP	SINGLE	DOUBLE
Member	\$6,999*	\$5,699*

*If booked before February 10, 2025

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

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.

September 10–21, 2025

GROUP	SINGLE	DOUBLE
Member	\$7,899*	\$5,999*

*If booked before March 10, 2025

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

Highlights include 2 nights en route 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.

September 12–19, 2025

GROUP	SINGLE	DOUBLE
Member	\$3,299	\$2,799

Additional \$10 for non-members.

Deposit: \$200

Balance Due: June 12, 2025

Optional Cancellation Insurance is available @ \$175 per person and is payable with deposit.



RAILROADS AND FALL COLORS OF THE POCONO MOUNTAINS AND GETTYSBURG

Includes 4 nights lodging, 4 breakfasts, 3 lunches and 2 dinners. Highlights include Jim Thorpe Trolley Tour, Linda Ronstadt Tribute at 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.

October 13–17, 2025

GROUP	SINGLE	DOUBLE
Member	\$2,249	\$1,799

Additional \$10 for non-members.

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

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 round-trip airfare, 20 meals, wine and beer with dinners, tour director, welcome and farewell dinners, baggage handling, taxes and port charges and roundtrip ship transfers.

October 28–November 5, 2025

GROUP	SINGLE	DOUBLE
Member	\$6,545 to \$9,545 (pricing for each deck, see trip flyer)	\$5,145 to \$6,845 (pricing for each deck, see trip flyer)

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 occupancy and \$1,400 per person single occupancy.



GRACELAND & TUPELO BUS TOUR

We're "All Shook Up" about this new trip that is everything Elvis! Trip includes 3 nights stay at the Graceland Guest House, 2 en-route 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.

October 28–November 5, 2025

GROUP	SINGLE	DOUBLE
Member	\$2,750	\$2,100

Additional \$10 for non-members.

Deposit: \$50

Balance Due: October 8, 2025

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



ROSE PARADE NEW YEAR'S

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 round-trip air, round-trip 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.

December 30, 2025–January 4, 2026

GROUP	SINGLE	DOUBLE
Member	\$4,649*	\$3,899*

*With booking discount

Deposit: \$400

Balance Due: October 1, 2025

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



TROPICAL COSTA RICA

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.

February 10–18, 2026

GROUP	SINGLE	DOUBLE
Member	\$3,499*	\$2,999*

*If booked before August 10, 2025

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.)

ON THE HORIZON

TRAVERSE CITY FIREWORKS

September 2025

HAUNTED HAPPENINGS

October 2025

SPAIN'S CLASSICS AND PORTUGAL

April 2026

ICELAND

May/June 2026

COLORADO ROCKIES

June 2026

LONDON AND PARIS

September 2026

IRELAND

October 2026

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.

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. The subcommittee is approved by the Township Board to represent and offer input to the Parks, Recreation & Senior Advisory Committee on the Center's operations and programs. Call 248-625-8231 for more information.

SENIOR ADVISORY OFFICERS

President: Sue Shubert

Vice President: Bill Kunse

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MEMBERS: Greg Gonyea, Bob Haar,
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Jennifer Angus

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Adam Kline

Township Supervisor: Chuck Phyle

WHAT IS FITSAAC?

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 January, April, July and October at the Center at 9AM on the 3rd Wednesdays of the month 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

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THE COMMUNITY IMPACT TEAM

PRESENTS

Community Impact Weekend

April 26 - 27, 2025

Offering a
hand up
to our
neighbors in need.



**Volunteers
Needed!**



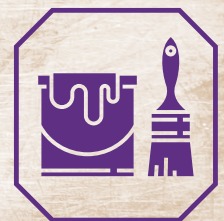
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to volunteer, donate,
or request help.
Or visit our website:

TheCommunityImpactTeam.org



Community Impact Weekend is your chance to get involved with hundreds of other volunteers to make an impact in Clarkston and the surrounding community.

We'll be helping senior citizens, veterans, families that are economically disadvantaged, and people with physical or mental challenges.



Community Impact Weekend is made possible by The Community Impact Team, our sponsors, partners, and amazing volunteers.



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LIBRARY EVENTS

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WINTER 2025



A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

In February 2024, CIDL launched a strategic planning process. This was a year-long project with three phases: **Learn, Dream, Do.**

In the **Learn** phase, we gathered all the information we could about our community, and your aspirations and expectations. This included statistical and demographic data, focus groups and interviews with residents, and a community-wide survey. It was compiled into a 77-page learning report!

In the **Dream** phase, we held retreats for the library board and staff to review all that we had learned. We celebrated what you love, discussed ways to improve, and brainstormed how to incorporate your aspirations and suggestions. This was such an exciting and inspiring portion of the project.

In the final phase, **Do**, we created a plan for how to bring the priorities we identified in the dream phase to life. We are just wrapping up that portion of the project, and are already starting to put our plan into action.

Thank you for your input and support during this project. We can't wait to show you what's on the horizon!

Julie



LIBRARY HOURS

Mon - Thurs: 10:00am - 9:00pm
Fri - Sat: 10:00am - 6:00pm
Sunday: 1:00pm - 6:00pm

LIBRARY BOARD

Marilyn Pomeroy, President
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Children



Snow Globe Sun-catchers [®]

Jan 24, Friday · 1:00pm
Ages: K-6th grade

Join us for this fun winter craft!



Kids Bingo [®]

Mar 24, Monday · 5:00pm
Ages: 4-7 (older siblings welcome)

Kids, come play bingo at the library! Every child who plays will receive a prize.



Cook the Book: A Delicious Storytime!

Feb 18, Tuesday · 5:00pm [®]
Ages: 3-6

Enjoy silly stories and make a tasty treat at this fun storytime.



Bugs on Wheels [®]

Mar 28, Friday · 1:00pm
Ages: 1st-12th grade

Join Nadia from Bugs on Wheels for this exhibit-style arthropod program.



Play and Learn!

Wednesdays · 11:00am
Feb 19, Apr 16
Ages: 1-3

Play, learn, and make friends at this laid back and educational program for little ones.

STAR WARS DAY

May 4, Sunday · 2:00pm
Ages: 8-18

Join us for our fourth Star Wars Day with snacks, games, crafts, and more!

MARIO DAY

Mar 8, Saturday · 12:00pm
Ages: 8-18

Join us for our 2nd Mario Day where we will have crafts, games, snacks and more!



View our
**Complete
Event Guide**

in the library
or online



Visit
CIDLibrary.org
EVENTS >
EVENT GUIDE
(Or ask a librarian at the CIDL)

Twice
as many programs
as you see here!



Register on our event calendar at
cidlibrary.org and read the full details!

Rad Rug Tufters

Thursdays · 5:00pm
Jan 2 & 9, Feb 6 & 13, Mar 6 & 13, May 1 & 8
Ages: 9-12

Tweens are invited to get creative using a rug tufting machine! This machine allows users to create their own art pieces using yarn. We welcome newbies and know you will love it!

Girl Power Party!

Mar 19, Wednesday · 5:30pm
Ages: All

Join us at the library to celebrate International Women's Month! Get inspired with stories from local guest speakers, complete science experiments, and have fun with empowerment crafts.

National Bagel Day

Jan 15, Wednesday · 3:00pm
Ages: 9-18

It's National Bagel Day! Come hang out at the library and enjoy some bagels with board games, bagel-themed crafts, and other fun activities. Open while supplies last.

Bingo **R**

Mar 24th, Monday · 7:00pm
Ages: 8-12 years
(siblings welcome if registered)

Tweens, come play bingo at the library! Everyone who plays will receive a prize.

Nom! Nom! Cookbook Group **R**

Saturdays · 1:30pm
Feb 8, Apr 19
Ages: 10+, Teen & Adult

Children and adults cook recipes at home from varying cookbooks to share potluck style with the registered group at the library!

Word Wizards

Thursday · 5:00pm
Apr 10, 17, 24
Ages: 9-12

Join us at the library to create some poetry magic! We welcome ALL skill levels as we experiment with varying poetry styles and find inspiration. The final program on April 24th will be your chance to present poems at the poetry slam!

Break World Records

Feb 25, Tuesday · 4:00pm
Ages: 9-12

Ever dreamed of breaking a world record? This is your chance! Head over to the library and attempt to break different world records. Let's see what we can accomplish together!

STEAM Make a Seed Bomb

May 13, Tuesday · 5:00pm
Ages: 9-12

Spring is coming! Be an Earth advocate and create a "seed bomb" at the library with native wildflower seeds to toss in your garden this season.



TAB

1st Thursday of each month · 5:00pm
3rd Thursday of each month · 6:00pm
Ages: Teen (For students in 8th-12th grade)

Get involved at CIDL and earn volunteer hours by joining our Teen Advisory Board (TAB). Share ideas in developing the young adult collection, building and coordinating teen and tween programs, and more!

For the online application or for any questions, please email pridmorec@cidlibrary.org.



Teen Book Box! [®]

1st Friday of the Month
Jan 3, Feb 7, Mar 7, Apr 4, May 2
Ages: Teen, 13-18

Teens are invited to reserve one of our Teen Book Boxes! Sign up during the first two weeks of the month for one of our boxes and receive 1-2 library books, a tasty snack and a fun surprise!



Teen Take Home [®]

Wednesdays · 5:00pm
Jan 15, Feb 19, Apr 16, May 14
Ages: Teen, 13-18

Enjoy this take-home craft with a different theme every month! Supplies are limited so, please register!

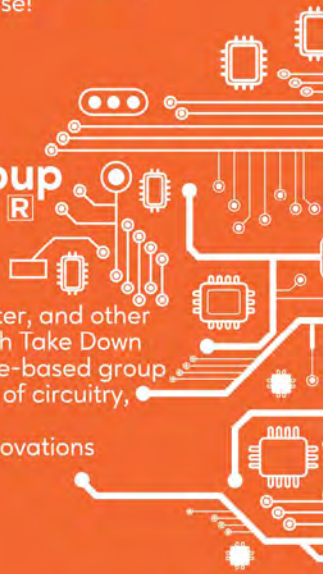


Tech Take Down Group [®]

Wednesdays · 4:30pm
Feb 5, Mar 5, Apr 2
Ages: Teen

Ever wondered how your T.V., computer, and other electronic devices work? Join the Tech Take Down Group! This discovery and explorative-based group focuses on understanding the basics of circuitry, electric components, and repair.

For questions, please contact our Innovations Librarian at Nparr@cidlibrary.org.



Exam Cram

Jan 14-16 · 2:00pm
Ages: Teen

Come to the library and cram for your exam! We will provide drinks, snacks, and some stress-relieving activities. Space is available on a first-come, first-served basis in the teen lounge and conference room right next door.

#study



Tiny Art Show [®]

Mar 17, Monday
Ages: Teen, 13-18

Ready to connect with your inner artist? Register to join our tiny art show and your miniature masterpiece could win the prize for fan favorite!



Register on our event calendar at cidlibrary.org and read the full details!



Vanessa Carr in Concert **R**

Mar 1, Saturday · 2:00pm

Broadway meets Vegas with Vanessa Carr. Known for her singing, dancing, storytelling and dramatic interpretations, Vanessa offers a first-class entertainment experience that will bring on the goosebumps!



The History of Tiger Stadium **R**

Mar 27, Thursday · 6:00pm

Covers the 104 years, 1896-1999, that the Detroit Tigers played baseball at the famous intersection of Michigan & Trumbull. Stories shared from the book include those of the stadium itself, of those who played there, of fans and other characters.

Tasty Treats



Spice It Up! **R**

Wednesdays · 7:00pm
Jan 15, Feb 12, Mar 12, Apr 16

In January and March, participants will pick up a spice packet and 2-3 recipes. In February and April, participants will meet at the library to talk about the spice and how they used it.



Salt-to-Taste **R**

Mondays · 7:00pm
Jan 20, Feb 24, Mar 24, Apr 28

Participants select and prepare a recipe from the cookbook for the month at home, and gather to discuss the recipes, cuisines and author/chef, while enjoying what they've brought to share.



Valentine's Cookie Decorating **R**

Feb 10, Monday · 6:00pm
Ages: Teen (12+) - Adult

A valentine cookie decorating event for teens and adults to decorate sugar cookies! Example designs will be provided.

GAMING

Dungeons & Dragons **R**

Adventures Online
Saturdays · 6:00pm
Jan 4, Feb 1, Mar 1, Apr 5
Requires Email and Zoom.
Recommended for Adults and Teens 12+

Family Game Night

Tuesdays · 5:00pm
Jan 7, Feb 4, Mar 4, Apr 1
Ages: All (whole family)

Arcade Tournament Night **R**

Saturday · 5:00pm
Jan 11, Feb 8, Mar 15, Apr 12
Ages: All

Check-Us-Out Chess Club

Tuesdays · 6:00pm
Jan 14, Feb 11, Mar 11, Apr 8
Ages: All



Monday Night Minis

Mondays · 6:00pm
Jan 13, Feb 10, Mar 10, Apr 14
Ages: All

Welcome to the Monday Night Minis, a dynamic tabletop gaming group that gathers once a month to engage in epic battles of strategy and skill. Our club offers a friendly and welcoming environment where players can immerse themselves in a variety of miniature-based games.



Trivia Night **R**

Wednesdays · 6:30pm
Jan 15, Feb 19, Mar 19, Apr 16

Think you know it all? Show off your specialized knowledge individually or as a team and have a chance at some great prizes! ***off-site program**



R Denotes Registration Required



Detroit Unseen **R**

Jan 6, Monday · 6:30pm

Join urban explorer and photographer Bob Huston as shares his photography of extraordinary Detroit ruins. Detroit Unseen helps to capture and document these changes in a positive context.



Seed Library Starters **R**

Fridays · 11:00am
Ages: Teens & Adults

Jan 10: Lettuce Be Friends (lettuce and spinach)

Mar 14: Grow Your Own Pizza (basil and tomatoes)

Apr 11: Pickling Pals (dill, carrots, and beets)



Senior Movie **R**

Thursdays · 1:30pm
Jan 16, Feb 20, Mar 20, Apr 17

Please, register with the Independence Township Senior Adult Activity Center 248-625-8231. Popcorn and light refreshments provided.



Grow in the Dark **R**

Feb 5, Wednesday · 11:00am
Ages: Teen & Adult

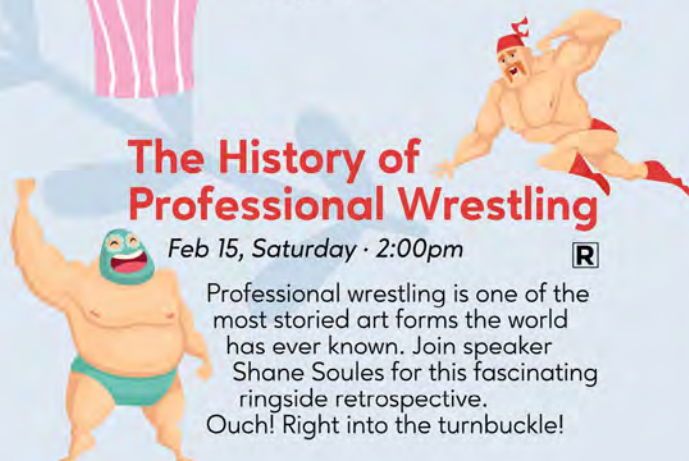
Come in to learn about low-light houseplants, and choose a new plant friend for yourself!



Irish Folk Music Concert with Enda Reilly **R**

Feb 16, Sunday · 2:00pm

Enda Reilly is an Irish Folk Singer, Songwriter and Acoustic Guitarist living in Michigan. Enda enchants audiences with fresh interpretations of Celtic classics, intertwining guitar and vocal prowess, enriching audiences with his deep understanding of the Celtic world.



The History of Professional Wrestling

Feb 15, Saturday · 2:00pm **R**

Professional wrestling is one of the most storied art forms the world has ever known. Join speaker Shane Soules for this fascinating ringside retrospective. Ouch! Right into the turnbuckle!

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Adult Enrichment

The Center for Legal Studies by BARBI: Ages 18 and older



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Since 1980, the Center for Legal Studies has partnered with colleges and universities across the country to educate thousands of students. Clarkston Community Education in partnership with the Center for Legal Studies by BARBI will be offering the following online sessions:

- Advance Legal Research and Writing Training
- Advanced Paralegal Certificate Course
- Alternative Dispute Resolution Certificate Course
- eDiscovery for Paralegals
- Employment Law
- Intellectual Property Law for Engineers
- Legal Investigation Certificate Course
- Legal Nurse Consultant Certificate Course
- Legal Secretary Certificate Course
- Medical Professional Legal Consultant
- Paralegal Certificate Course
- Victim Advocacy Certificate Course

Register any time of the year to begin your online Legal Studies classes:

Session 1: January 13- February 28

Session 2: March 10-April 25

Session 3: May 5-June 20

Session 4: June 30-August 15

For course information or to register:

Online: www.legalstudies.com/vendor/clarkston-comm-ed/

Phone: 1-800-522-7737

VOICES FOR ALL VOICE ACTING EDUCATION...REDEFINED!

Introductions to Voiceovers: Ages 18 and older

"Wow, you have a great voice!" Have you heard that more times than you can count? Or maybe you listen to your favorite audiobooks, commercials, or cartoon characters and think, "I could do that!" If so, then you could have what it takes to begin working as a professional Voiceover Artist. Explore the voiceover industry with your instructor, a professional, working voice actor from the voice acting training company, Voices For All, in a one-on-one, personalized, video chat setting. Discover the current trends in the industry and how they make it easy and affordable for just about anyone to get involved. In this one-time, 90-minute, introductory class, you'll also learn about the different types of voiceovers and the tools you'll need to find success. And then... we're rolling! Your instructor will record you as you read a real script, then offer you some coaching so you can improve your delivery. Your instructor will take notes on your performance so you can receive a professional voiceover evaluation later. After the class, you will have the knowledge necessary to help you decide if this is something you'd like to pursue. Check out the video at www.voicesforall.com/ooo to get a better sense of how the class works. Voices For All will contact you upon registering to schedule a time at your convenience to meet with an instructor. **Requirements:** Students must have internet access and video chatting capabilities using a method such as: Zoom, Skype (Win/Mac/Mobile) or iChat/FaceTime (Mac/iOS). You owe it to yourself to finally explore the possibilities of this fun and rewarding field!

\$49 • Virtual class available to take anytime & anywhere. You will be contacted by Voices For All upon enrollment to schedule for a time of your preference to meet with your virtual instructor.

Estate Planning 101: Ages 18 and older

Do you know what will happen to your children and your assets after you die? If not, you don't want to miss this program. If you die without an estate plan, your family will be subjected to the long, expensive, and stressful probate process and at the end of it the state says who gets what from your estate. Even worse, if you have minor children a judge will decide who will raise them if you die! Learn all about wills, trusts, and guardian nominations and how you can avoid the pitfalls of probate. Brought to you by McRee Law, PLLC.

All classes are held in the Clarkston Community Education Center

Tuesday, January 21 • 6:30-7:30pm • \$15 per Individual

Tuesday, January 21 • 6:30-7:30pm • \$25 per Couple

Clarkston Community Schools Facility Rental Information

Clarkston Community Schools facilities and fields are conveniently located for all residents of Clarkston, Waterford, White Lake, and Davisburg. Our facilities and fields are available for rental by public or private groups on Saturdays, Sundays, and after school during the week. With ample parking and beautiful buildings, CCS offers great potential for any event. Whether you need auditoriums, classrooms, media centers, computer labs, gyms, stadiums, fields, or pool, the modern facilities and field at CCS give you an advantage! All facility services are available for single events, individual classes, sport events, birthday parties and so much more. Rental of gyms is available on weekends and limited weekdays.

For more information and pricing, contact
Pam Thompson, District Scheduler, at (248) 623-4343



Clarkston Community Band

There is a great amount of talent in the Community of Clarkston and surrounding areas; what a great year to dust off that instrument and join the Clarkston Community Band! The Clarkston Community Band (CCB), was founded in 1890. This outstanding organization provides a great opportunity for talented musicians to enjoy making music and meeting people. Members include student and university musicians, doctors, nurses, scientists, teachers, engineers, sales personnel, entrepreneurs, government workers, clergy, and those enjoying retirement.

CCB usually performs locally 4 times per year including an Autumn Pops Concert, a Winter Holiday performance featuring a visit from Santa Claus, a combined performance with the Ferndale and Rochester Community Bands, and a Spring Spectacular. Guest artists often share the stage with the group and a wide variety of great wind band literature is performed at each Concert.

CCB is sponsored by Clarkston Community Education. To join please send a request to: sroland4000@icloud.com. Our season is divided into two semesters, September–December and January–May. The cost for participation is \$50 per semester. Payment should be made at the CCB rehearsal. For more information about CCB and to listen to recordings, visit: clarkstoncommunityband.org. For questions regarding membership, rehearsals, literature, etc, sroland4000@icloud.com.

Tuesdays, beginning January 7 • 6:30–9:30pm
\$50 per semester • Sashabaw Middle School,
5565 Pine Knob Lane, Clarkston, 48346, Band Room



Train Your Puppy

For puppies or young dogs (ages 3–6 months):

Does your puppy leave you frazzled and frustrated? Let's get things straightened out early! Join this comprehensive class to give your puppy socialization, manners and basic obedience. Tips on housetraining, chewing, nipping, and much more! Instructor Julie Bennett has over 25 years of experience and is just back from Germany, having her third opportunity to work with Cesar Millan, The Dog Whisperer. Way beyond a pet store class! **First night only: everyone meet at 7:00pm without puppies** and please bring proof of rabies vaccination (proof is only required for puppies 6 months or older).

Tuesdays, January 14–March 4 (omit 2/18)
6:30–7:20pm • \$220 • North Sashabaw Elementary

Tuesdays, April 1–May 13 • 6:30–7:20pm • \$220
North Sashabaw Elementary

Train Your Dog

For dogs (ages 7 months or older): Does your dog pull on the leash, jump on people and not come when called? These and many other behaviors can be re-shaped with this fun and informative class. It is the perfect time to let your dog learn great manners and show them off. Basic commands, nutrition, proper socialization and so much more will be taught. Instructor Julie Bennett has over 25 years of experience and is just back from Germany, having her third opportunity to work with Cesar Millan, The Dog Whisperer. **First night only: everyone meet at 7:00pm without dogs** and please bring proof of rabies vaccination (proof is required for all dogs in this class).

Tuesdays, January 14–March 4 (omit 2/18)
7:30–8:20pm • \$220 • North Sashabaw Elementary

Tuesdays, April 1–May 13 • 7:30–8:20pm • \$220
North Sashabaw Elementary

Daddy Daughter Dance

Saturday, February 8
Clarkston High School, Cafeteria

Ages 5 and up

Girls, bring your Dad, Grandpa or special person to this fun event you will cherish forever. There will be cookies and punch, our favorite DJ will play all of the latest songs plus requests from Dad and Daughter. Attendance will be checked at the door. No tickets provided. Daddy-Daughter photos will be available to purchase. Registration for this event will close on Thursday, February 6 at 5:30pm (or until tickets are sold out).

Register early – this event does event sells out!

*There will be a \$10 fee to be transferred between dances.

Ticket Information

\$30 per couple

\$10 per additional child at any time of registration.

Option 1: Couple 4:00–6:00pm

Additional Child: 4:00–6:00pm

Option 2: Couple 7:00–9:00pm

Additional Child 7:00–9:00pm



Adult Fitness

Karate for Advanced (for purple and higher belts)

This martial arts program is designed for any AMAA student with a purple belt or higher (students who do not have a purple belt will need to complete Karate for Youth. Please see Karate for Youth for more details). Karate for Advanced will deal with all levels of self-defense, physical fitness, and ways to always defend yourself. Stop by and see how our trained certified black belts can increase your flexibility while mastering balance, coordination and awareness skills.

*All parents and participants must sign the AMAA registration form at the first class before students can participate. Program Director: Grand Master Leo Mayer 8th Dan

Tuesdays, January 21–May 6 (omit 2/18 & 3/25)
7:20–8:20pm • \$152 • Clarkston Community Education Center

Circuit Training

Get ready for an energizing combination of cardio and strength intervals that will improve overall health and endurance, while burning lots of calories and improving body composition. Every class will be unique and modifications will be provided to keep exercises challenging for every level. Expect a variety of fitness equipment, time-based intervals, partner drills, bodyweight exercises, circuit stations and much more! Be sure to wear comfortable fitness clothes and supportive cross-training shoes. Bring water, a sweat towel, one set of dumbbells (between 10-20 lbs per dumbbell) and a mat for floor exercises. Instructor: Lauren Bell

All classes are held at the Clarkston Elementary Gym

Thursdays, January 9–February 27
6:30–7:30pm • \$96

Thursdays, March 13–April 24 (omit March 27)
6:30–7:30pm • \$72

STRONG Nation

Stop counting the reps! Start training to the beat! STRONG Nation combines body weight, muscle conditioning, cardio and plyometric training moves synced to music that has been designed to match every single move. Drop the beat. Drop the weight. In each class you'll burn calories and tone. Come pack a total body workout. Join us for 35 minutes once or twice a week! Instructor: Patty Hester

All classes are held at the Clarkston Community Education Center

Mondays, January 6–March 10 (omit 1/20, 2/17)
7:00–7:35pm • \$38

Thursdays, January 9–March 6 (omit 1/16)
7:00–7:35pm • \$38

Both Mondays & Thursdays, January 6–March 10 (omit 1/16, 1/20, 2/17) • 7:00–7:35pm • \$70

Mondays, March 31–April 28 • 7:00–7:35pm • \$31

Thursdays, April 3–May 1 • 7:00–7:35pm • \$31

Both Mondays & Thursdays, March 31–May 1
7:00–7:35pm • \$55

Functional STEP

Flashback to 1980 Aerobic Step then FAST Forward to Functional Step! This 45-minute class is designed to increase your heart rate, muscle strength, strengthen your core and tone your arms and lower body. Increasing endurance and metabolism using a basic low rise step platform. Great music! Great challenging fun! Bring water and, hand towel (optional). Instructor: Patty Hester

All classes are held at the Clarkston Community Education Center

Wednesdays, January 8–February 26
7:00–7:45pm • \$47

Saturdays, January 11–March 15 (omit 1/18, 2/16) • 9:00–9:45 am • \$47
Both Wednesdays & Saturdays • \$82

Wednesdays, April 2–April 30 • 7:00–7:45pm • \$36

Saturdays, April 5–May 5 • 9:00–9:45am • \$36
Both Wednesdays & Saturdays • \$70

PiYo

A Full Body Workout. Low impact, build lean muscle, burn fat and increase flexibility. No stress on joints. Inspired by Pilates and Yoga. Bring a mat and water. Instructor: Patty Hester

Saturdays, January 11–March 1 (omit 1/18 & 2/15)
10:00–10:40am • \$42 • Clarkston Community Center

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Youth Enrichment

The Power of Drawing: Ages 5-11

Our budding artists will have the opportunity to flex their creative muscle as they take on fun, artistic challenges like our Jack Russell Terrier lesson and Martin Luther King Jr portrait in the month of January. The month of February brings a lot of fun and culture into the classroom as our students' imaginations are whisked away to a masquerade or into the mind of master artist Romero Britto. And later in the spring, get ready for some dinosaur-sized excitement as your elementary student recreates the ferocious T-Rex Young Rembrandts style! Instructor: Young Rembrandts

Wednesdays, January 15-February 5
3:35-4:35pm • \$70 • Clarkston Elementary

Wednesdays, February 19-March 12
3:50-4:50pm • \$70 • Springfield Elementary

Wednesdays, April 9-April 30 • 3:50-4:50pm
\$70 • North Sashabaw Elementary

I am The Artist's Apprentice: Ages 7-14

Do you have an art kiddo who would enjoy embracing new and unusual experimental ideas? In this art series your child will be learning traditional painting techniques along with the avant-garde. We will be working with acrylic paints as well as zentangles, mosaics, collage, and, Shh! a special art project for our Valentine! Subject matter will include trees, owls, landscapes and asymmetrical designs. (Psst! It's a lot of fun.) Sign up early for this one, space is limited. A Gallery Show will be extended to families following class on the final day. Instructor: Pamela Palmer, owner of The Artist's Apprentice.

Fridays, February 7-February 28 • 3:50-5:20pm
\$65 (plus \$20 material fee payable to the instructor on the first day of class) • Independence Elementary

On Wednesday I Paint! Ages 7-14

Did you know creative expression helps support kids mental health and well being? So let's get artsy! We will explore an exciting avenue of painting involving chain pull art, among other unique paint trends. These processes are so fun and the finished artwork is amazing! This method will be incorporated into traditional brushwork for an interesting combination of realistic and avant-garde elements. Students will improve their fine motor skills as they maneuver ball chains and yarns around the canvas and multi-media paper and work alongside other budding artists to share ideas and inspirations. Fish, flowers and other flora and fauna will be the subject matter in this wild adventure. A Gallery Show will be extended to families following class on the final day. Siblings of all ages welcome! Instructor: Pamela Palmer, owner of The Artist's Apprentice.

Wednesday, February 12-March 5 • 4:30-6:00pm
\$65 (plus \$20 material fee payable to instructor on the first day of class) • Clarkston Community Education Center, Room 209

Drawing & Painting & Clay, OH MY! Ages 7 & Up

Our young artists will be taking on LIONS & TIGERS & BEARS in this fun art series! Kids love animals, especially the big and powerful ones with artwork that we will be developing in acrylics, chalk pastels, and self drying clay. Emphasis will be placed on proportion and detail as we learn the various techniques necessary to improve as artists. A Gallery Show will be presented to families following class on the final day. Please wear clothes that are not precious. Instructor: Pamela Palmer, owner of The Artist's Apprentice.

Fridays, March 7-April 4 (omit 3/28) 3:35-5:05pm
\$65 (plus \$20 material fee payable to the instructor on the first day of class) • Clarkston Elementary

Drawing Animals: Ages 7-14

We love animals! So who can resist choosing these wonderful planet dwellers as our subject matter in this exploratory drawing series! Kids will have many visual photo reference and 3D references to assist in their efforts to recreate their favorites in pencil, colored pencil, chalk pastels and oil pastels. We'll be drawing a little goldfish for our live animal lesson, keeping it as a pet is optional, parent input required. A Gallery Show will be presented to families following class on the final day. Siblings of all ages welcome! Instructor: Pamela Palmer, owner of The Artist's Apprentice.

Tuesdays, April 8-April 29 • 3:50-5:20 • \$65 (plus \$20 material fee payable to instructor on the first day of class) • Bailey Lake Elementary

Cartooning Happy Hopping Bunnies! Ages 7-14

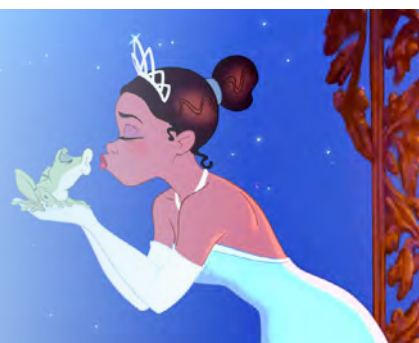
Kids will be creating cheerful, cherub bunnies in the playful style of a contemporary Swedish artist. We will be utilizing neon paints and pastels on canvas and large scale paper. Your young artist will have individual instruction, guiding them in composition and color choice to create a well executed body of work for our Gallery Show that will be offered to families on the final day of classes. Siblings of all ages welcome! Instructor: Pamela Palmer, owner of The Artist's Apprentice.

Wednesdays, May 7-May 28 • 3:50-5:20pm • \$65 (plus \$20 material fee payable to instructor on the first day of class) • Bailey Lake Elementary

Musical Theatre – Princess and the Frog: Grades 2-6

It's time for Musical Theatre Camp! During this 2-day program, students will learn basic fundamentals of acting, components of musical theatre, and gain experience planning and performing a production. This year's theme is the Princess and the Frog. The registration fee includes a camp t-shirt, dinner (on Saturday), and snacks. We are sorry, but we cannot honor requests to be placed with certain campers. Your camper will have tons of fun making new friends while learning songs and dances! Campers will perform for their families on Saturday, May 11th at 5:00pm. Please register before Monday, April 21 at 10:00am to guarantee a camp shirt of your requested size. No refunds will be given for this program. Instructor: Amy Seaman with CHS Drama Club

Friday, May 10 • 6:00pm-8:00pm & Saturday, May 11, 8:30-5:30pm • \$65
Clarkston High School, Performing Arts Center





Challenge Island is an award-winning STEAM enrichment program where kids solve fun, hands-on “challenges” which teach them about STEAM fundamentals, cross curricular topics, plus important success skills like creativity, critical thinking, problem solving and much more. Students work together in small “STEAM Teams” to solve our challenges, giving them an opportunity to grow their teamwork and social skills as well. We look forward to seeing you on Challenge Island!

STEAM Believe it or Not Island: Ages 5–11

In this special Challenge Island weekend series, take a deep breath and dive into the most mind-blowing, jaw-dropping, eye-popping island ever! You and a STEAM team of friends will take unbelievable engineering challenges, inspired by zany, wacky, wild, 100% true facts! From spaghetti trees to skateboard parks, from muddy marathons, to Mount Kilimanjaro and elephants crossing bridges, Believe it or Not Island is sure to be an all-time record breaker. A nonrefundable \$5 material fee is included in the program cost. Instructor: Challenge Island—Oakland County East.

Saturdays, January 11–February 8 (omit 1/15) • 9:00–10:00am • \$100
Clarkston Community Education Center



STEAM Cupid Celebration Kids Night Out: Ages 5–11

In this special Valentine-themed evening session, we'll be creating & playing a Cupid-style arcade game, mixing up our special pink drink slime recipe to take home, learning the Cupid Shuffle and more! Join us for the fun and educational evening out with friends, while parents get a well-deserved break at the same time! A nonrefundable material fee is included in the program cost. Instructor: Challenge Island—Oakland County East

Friday, February 14 • 6:00–8:00pm • \$40 • Clarkston Community Education Center

STEAM Kids Night Out: Gotta Catch That Leprechaun! Ages 5–11

In this special March workshop just in time for St. Patrick's Day, come join us as we create and build leprechaun traps, lanterns to search for leprechauns in those dark corners at home, and our unique Green Leprechaun Snow Slime! Join us for the fun and educational evening out with friends, while parents get a well-deserved break at the same time! A nonrefundable material fee is included in the program cost. Instructor: Challenge Island—Oakland County East

Friday, March 14 • 6:00–8:00pm • \$40 • Clarkston Community Education Center

STEAM Kids' Night Out: Water World: Ages 5–11

In celebration of Earth Day and the watery world around us, we'll design and build working water turbines, create an underwater cave rescue (based on a true story), and mix up a special batch of our ocean-themed slime to take home! Join us for the fun and educational evening out with friends, while the parents get a well-deserved break at the same time! A nonrefundable material fee is included in the program cost. Instructor: Challenge Island—Oakland County East

Friday, April 11 • 6:00–8:00pm • \$40 • Clarkston Community Education Center

Youth Fitness

Valentine's Day Children's Yoga: Grades K–5

This class will explore yoga poses and flowing sequences specific to the theme of friendship! We will also create a Valentine's craft to take home! Classes promote social skills, positive thinking, and cooperation through movement, yoga games, music, and stories. Children are encouraged to wear comfortable clothing. Please bring a water bottle, a healthy snack, and a yoga mat. Instructor: Stacey Shipp, RYT 200 & RYT

Wednesday, February 5 • 3:50–5:50 • \$25
(plus \$5 material fee payable to instructor at class
Bailey Lake Elementary Gym

Children's Yoga at BLE: Grades K–5

This class will explore flowing sequences, balancing poses, breathing exercises, and creative relaxation techniques. Classes promote social skills, positive thinking, and cooperation through movement, yoga games, crafts, music, and stories. Children are encouraged to wear comfortable clothing. Please bring a water bottle, a healthy snack, and a yoga mat. *Child-sized yoga mats are available at the first meeting for \$10 payable to the instructor. Instructor: Stacey Shipp, RYT 200 & RYT

Spring Session • Wednesdays, April 16–April 30
3:50–4:50pm • \$45 • Bailey Lake Elementary Gym

Mother's Day Children's Yoga: Grades K–5

This class will explore yoga poses and flowing sequences specific to the theme of Mother's Day! During our time together, we will also make a Mother's Day card and craft that will be sent home wrapped to gift on her special day! Classes promote social skills, positive thinking, and cooperation through movement, yoga games, music, and stories. Children are encouraged to wear comfortable clothing. Please bring a water bottle, a healthy snack, and a yoga mat. Instructor: Stacey Shipp, RYT 200 & RYT

Wednesday, May 7 • 3:50–5:50 • \$25 (plus \$5
material fee payable to instructor at class)
Bailey Lake Elementary Gym



Gymnastics: Ages 3–8

Our classes are jam packed with activities that include a warm up, across the floor activities, movement to music, and an outrageously fun obstacle course. Several small props are brought in to ensure the fun such as hoops, beanbags, ribbons, balls, scarves, cones, ropes, etc. Each child takes home a paper explaining to parents what we did that day. Each child will be introduced and learn cartwheels, handstands, bridges, flips and a variety of skills on many different pieces of equipment. No special attire necessary. Instructor: Tumblebunnies Inc.

All classes are held at the Clarkston Community Education Center

Ages 3–5 • Wednesdays, January 29–March 12
5:00–5:30pm • \$85

Ages 6–8 • Wednesdays, January 29–March 12
5:30–6:15pm • \$100

Ages 3–5 • Wednesdays, April 9–May 21
5:00–5:30pm • \$85

Ages 6–8 • Wednesdays, April 9–May 21
5:30–6:15pm • \$100

Ballet: Ages 3–8

Our Ballet classes concentrate on being “lovely” and dancing like princesses and ballerinas. We teach poise, grace, balance and proper posture. We use up to date music and props such as balloons, scarves, ribbons, etc. in selected dances. Our ballerinas will learn steps to create a dance which they will perform on the last day of the session. We also emphasize stage presence, and movement to music which makes this class fun and a positive learning experience. No special attire necessary. Instructor: Tumblebunnies Inc

All classes are held at the Clarkston Community Education Center

Ages 3–5 • Mondays, January 27–March 17
(omit 2/17) • 5:00–5:30pm • \$85

Ages 6–8 • Mondays, January 27–March 17
(omit 2/17) • 5:30–6:15pm • \$100

Hip Hop: Ages 3–8

We have created hip hop dances to the latest music that kids love. They will be moving and grooving to all the newest hip hop moves to familiar appropriate music expressing themselves to the beats and sounds of each song. Great for learning rhythm, tempo, and also builds coordination. It’s a great introduction to the wonderful world of music. High energy and fast paced classes will guarantee fun and learning for every child. Great for both boys and girls. Our dancers will learn a hip hop routine which they will perform on the last day of the session.

No special attire necessary. Instructor: Tumblebunnies Inc.

All classes are held at the Clarkston Community Education Center

Ages 3–5 • Thursdays, April 10–May 22
5:00–5:30pm • \$85

Ages 6–8 • Thursdays, April 10–May 22
5:30–6:15pm • \$100

Champion Force Cheer: Ages 4 & Up

Champion Force Cheer is a fun and exciting program for students at all cheer and dance experience levels. Students will learn the core fundamentals of cheer including: cheers, chants, jumps, kicks, arm motions, stunting, how to perform in front of an audience, and other necessary skills needed for junior high and high school cheerleading programs. Cheerleaders will also learn a pom dance routine. Our programs work to build self-confidence, poise, self-esteem, and physical fitness. All Champion Cheer Force gear is an optional additional fee including pom poms, uniforms, and competitions. Instructor: Champion Force Athletics

All classes are held at Sashabaw Middle School in the 7th Grade Cafeteria

All division will meet on Mondays,
February 2–June 12 (omit 2/17, 3/24, & 5/26)

Division 1: Ages 4–6 • 6:00–6:45pm • \$135

Division 2: Ages 7–8 • 7:00–7:45pm • \$135

Division 3: Ages 9 & up • 8:00–8:45pm • \$135



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Scholarships to join Clarkston Community Education programs are available through Clarkston Area Youth Assistance (CAYA). Please contact CAYA to inquire more details and how to apply for a scholarship.

CAYA Office: (248) 623-4313

Email: caya@clarkston.k12.mi.us

*Check out our
webpage for
more programs*

We will be adding youth and adult programs throughout the season.

For updated programs and information please visit us at:
[www.clarkston.k12.mi.us/
community/community-education](http://www.clarkston.k12.mi.us/community/community-education)

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Volleyball: Ages 3-8

Get ready to bump, set, and spike! This program is an introduction to volleyball. Children will learn the fundamental skills, rules, and terminology of the game. Please wear comfortable clothing and tennis shoes (knee pads are not required, this is an introduction course). Instructor: Tumblebunnies Inc

Ages 3-5 • Thursdays, January 30-March 13
5:00-5:30pm • \$85 • Clarkston Community Center

Ages 6-8 • Thursdays, January 30-March 13
5:30-6:15pm • \$100 • Clarkston Community Center

Bounce Volleyball: Grades 2-3

Learn the proper techniques for passing, serving and spiking. Players will learn the importance of footwork and court communication. Kids will scrimmage during class time to enhance their game comprehension. Students will use beach balls and/or lightweight volleyballs. Our emphasis is on effort, sportsmanship and teamwork. Great for boys and girls! Bring a water bottle & wear gym shoes. Instructor, Coach Jo Schirtzinger (www.leisureunlimited.net) is a former Class A High School Volleyball Coach, has over 40 years of competitive playing experience and is a 10 year former MHSAA Official.

Mondays, April 15-May 19 • 5:45-6:45pm • \$90
Sashabaw Middle School, 6th Grade Gym

Volley Lite: Grades 4-5

Learn sound fundamentals in passing, serving and spiking. We'll cover rules, court communication and transition. Fun, progressive drills challenge players while they work at their own pace. Players learn teamwork and footwork during in-class scrimmages. Lightweight volleyballs (Volley Lite balls) will be used. Great for boys and girls! Bring a water bottle & wear gym shoes. Instructor, Coach Jo Schirtzinger (www.leisureunlimited.net) is a former Class A High School Volleyball Coach, has over 40 years of competitive playing experience and is a 10 year former MHSAA Official.

Mondays, April 15-May 19 • 6:45-7:45pm • \$90
Sashabaw Middle School, 6th Grade Gym

Tennis: Ages 5-8

This program is the perfect introduction course for young tennis players! They will learn target and striking skills, serving, basic game play rules, and terminology. Please wear comfortable clothing and tennis shoes. Rackets will be provided to use at class. All classes will be held inside. Instructor: Tumblebunnies Inc

Ages 3-5 • Mondays, April 7-May 19
5:00-5:30pm • \$85 • Clarkston Community Center

Ages 6-8 • Mondays, April 7-May 19
5:30-6:15pm • \$100 • Clarkston Community Center

Sports Starters: Ages 3-5

Your child will love this first introduction to sports such as basketball, soccer, football, volleyball, hockey, and more! Toddlers will learn sport fundamentals such as throwing, catching, kicking and running, with easy-to-understand instructions to make this a positive and fun learning experience. Please wear gym shoes and bring a water bottle. *Children must be three by the first day of class and must be potty-trained. Instructor: Coach Jo, Leisure Unlimited LLC

Saturdays, January 25-March 15 (omit 2/15)
9:00-9:50am • \$105 • Clarkston Community Center

Saturdays, April 5-May 17 (omit 4/19)
9:00-9:50am • \$90 • Clarkston Community Center

Kiddie Sports: Ages 4-6

Introduce your youngsters to the world of sports. Kids will be taught the basics of soccer, floor hockey, basketball, tee-ball, volleyball, football, plus a few silly surprises. Drills are progressive to allow kids to advance at their own pace. Our emphasis is on effort, sportsmanship and teamwork. Please bring a water bottle and wear gym shoes. Instructor: Coach Jo, Leisure Unlimited LLC

Saturdays, January 25-March 15 (omit 2/15)
9:00-9:50am • \$105 • Clarkston Community Center

Saturdays, April 5-May 17 (omit 4/19)
9:00-9:50am • \$90 • Clarkston Community Center

Youth Basketball: Ages 7-10

Fun, skill-oriented games and drills guide kids through the basics of shooting, passing and dribbling. In addition, we'll cover rules, positions, offense and defense. Scrimmages help players improve game comprehension. Please bring a water bottle and wear gym shoes. Instructor: Coach Jo, Leisure Unlimited LLC

Saturdays, January 25-March 15 (omit 2/15)
10:00-10:50am • \$105 • Clarkston Community Center

Saturdays, April 5-May 17 (omit 4/19)
10:00-10:50am • \$90 • Clarkston Community Center

Michigan Youth Basketball Winter Leagues: Grades K-12

For boys and girls' basketball leagues, dates, times, and additional information, please visit www.michiganyouthbasketball.com. Registration for winter basketball leagues is available with Michigan Youth Basketball. Players will receive a Jr NBA jersey to keep as part of their registration fee. For program questions, please visit Michigan Youth Basketball's website or email: michiganyouthbasketball@gmail.com

Saturdays, February 8-April 19 (Feb 22, Mar 22 & 29)
Daytime and Evening • Clarkston Community Schools
Register by visiting: www.michiganyouthbasketball.com



KARATE

Karate for Kids: Ages 4-5

Karate for Kids is designed to enhance, build and develop socialization skills, self-confidence and physical fitness. This class will accomplish these goals by using fun games, exercises and group activities that stress camaraderie.

*All parents and participants must sign the AMAA registration form at the first class before students can participate.

Program Director: Grand Master Leo Mayer 8th Dan

Tuesdays, January 21-March 18 (omit February 18)
5:30-6:00pm • \$62 • Clarkston Community Education Center

Karate for Youth: Ages 6-12

Join this exciting martial arts karate program that is designed to teach beginners the concepts of self-discipline, self-defense, physical fitness, and self-confidence to make the right choices. In this beginner class, participants will increase flexibility while mastering proper balance and coordination skills. Parents are welcome to join and train with their children as you complete your white belt together (participating parents must pay the same registration fee as their children). *All parents and participants must sign the AMAA registration form at the first class before students can participate. Program Director: Grand Master Leo Mayer 8th Dan

Tuesdays, January 21-May 6 (omit 2/18 & 3/25)
6:10-7:10pm • \$142 • Clarkston Community Education Center

Karate for Teens-Adults & Advanced (purple and higher belts)

This martial arts program is designed for teens and adults along with existing purple belt ranks and all higher ranks. It will deal with all levels of self-defense, physical fitness, and ways to always defend yourself. Stop by and see how our trained certified black belts can increase your flexibility while mastering balance, coordination and awareness skills.

*All parents and participants must sign the AMAA registration form at the first class before students can participate.

Program Director: Grand Master Leo Mayer

Tuesdays, January 21-May 6 (omit 2/18 & 3/25)
7:20-8:20pm • \$152 • Clarkston Community Education Center

LACROSSE

Lacrosse Winter Clinics:

Boys & Girls Grades 3–8

All players interested in Spring Lacrosse are encouraged to attend but it is not mandatory. Space is limited. Full equipment is required for all players. A physical is not required to participate in Lacrosse Clinics but is required for Spring Lacrosse teams. Clinics are coached by Clarkston Lacrosse coaching staff.

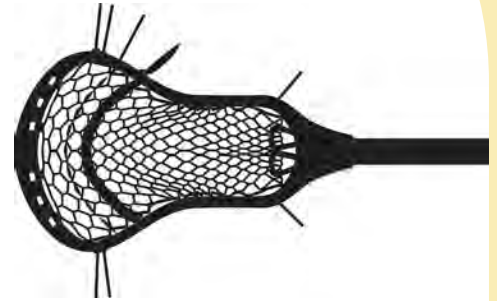
All practices will be at Clarkston Junior High School, Auxiliary Gym

Boys Grades 3/4 • Wednesdays, January 22–February 26
6:45–7:45pm • \$135

Boys Grades 5/6 • Wednesdays, January 22–February 26
7:45–8:45pm • \$135

Boys Grades 7/8 • Thursdays, January 23–February 27
7:45–8:45pm • \$135

Girls Grades 3–8 • Thursdays, January 23–February 27
6:45–7:45pm • \$135



Lacrosse Spring Teams: Boys and Girls Grades 1–8

For all spring athletes in grades 1–8:

Spring season starts the week of April 3rd (weather permitting) and ends the week of May 29th. Please note practice times, game times, and locations might not be available until late March. Practice locations will be at the Clarkston Community Education Center, Clarkston Junior High School, or Springfield Plains Elementary. The last day to drop from Spring Lacrosse is April 11th 2025 (athletes will be refunded 70% of the registration fee). If dropped later, athletes WILL NOT receive a refund unless a medical note is provided. The cost of uniforms and other supplies are nonrefundable. Out of town travel could be required for games. Full lacrosse equipment is required for all spring teams. The cost of travel and lacrosse equipment is not included in program price. Please contact claxyouth@gmail.com for questions regarding the boys and girls grades 1–8th Spring Lacrosse season.

For all spring athletes in grades 6–8:

All 16–8th graders must have an MHSAA Sports Physical, Medical History Form, and Concussion Form. All forms need to be completed and turned into your player's head coach at their first team practice.

COED Lacrosse Team: Grades 1–2

This is a beginner level team. Athletes will practice no more than 1–2 times a week. The team will play in local fun-day festivals and one tournament. Parent volunteers will be asked to coach (support and help will be given). A background check will be required before coaching. All players must purchase a uniform the link will be provided after registration.

COED Grades 1–2 • \$185

Boys Lacrosse Team: Grades 3–4

Teams will play between 3–4 festival style play dates and one local tournament. Coaches may add more scrimmages and/or games during the season, but this is not guaranteed. All players must purchase a uniform the link will be provided after registration.

Boys Grades 3–4 • \$375

Boys Lacrosse Team: Grades 5–6

Teams will play between 8–10 local games and one local tournament. Coaches may add more scrimmages and/or games during the season, but this is not guaranteed. All players must purchase a uniform the link will be provided after registration.

Boys Grades 5–6 • \$425

Boys Lacrosse Team: Grades 7–8

Teams will play between 8–10 local games and two tournaments. Coaches may add more scrimmages and/or games during the season, but this is not guaranteed. All players must purchase a uniform the link will be provided after registration.

Boys Grades 7–8 • \$575

Girls Lacrosse Team: Grades 3–5

Teams will play between 6–8 games and one tournament. Coaches may add more scrimmages and/or games during the season, but this is not guaranteed. All players must purchase a uniform the link will be provided after registration.

Girls Grades 3–5 • \$375

Girls Lacrosse Team: Grades 6–8

Teams will play between 6–8 games and one tournament. Coaches may add more scrimmages and/or games during the season, but this is not guaranteed. All players must purchase a uniform the link will be provided after registration.

Girls Grades 6–8 • \$375

Little Laxer: COED Grades 1–2

This is a non-contact coed developmental program meant for building skills while having FUN. Players will practice skills and participate in several small sideline games. A lacrosse stick and mouth piece are required. Interested players in Kindergarten are welcome to join the program. Please contact claxyouth@gmail.com for questions regarding the COED Grades 1–2 Little Laxer spring season.

COED Grades 1–2

Wednesdays, April 12–May 10
& Thursdays, May 18 • 6:30–7:30pm
\$120 • Clarkston High School



Clarkston Athletics

Clarkston Athletics invites you to visit our website at Clarkston.k12.mi.us/athletics for information for our Fall, Winter & Spring seasons. Information will be updated throughout the school year as we move through the seasons. You can find coach contact information, MHSAA requirements and resources, schedules and more. You can also join us on Facebook & Twitter. Simply search for "Clarkston Athletics" (these are public accounts so you do not need to sign up to view the information). Clarkston Athletics is proud to support our student-athletes in pursuit of educational athletic excellence. **GO WOLVES!**

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Clarkston Community Education Participation Request Form

The Participation Request Form is for Clarkston Community Education programs and events only.

Please use this form to mail in your participation request. Please mail all forms to Independence Township (please see the address listed above). Programs can fill at any moment and we will take registrations in order they are received.

Please DO NOT SEND CASH. Please only send in checks. All checks should be payable to **Independence Township**.

PARENT NAME:		PARENT DOB:	
STREET ADDRESS:		CITY:	ZIP:
PRIMARY PHONE:	SECONDARY PHONE:	EMAIL:	
EMERGENCY CONTACT:	EMERGENCY CONTACT PHONE:	EMERGENCY CONTACT RELATIONSHIP:	

PARTICIPANT FIRST NAME:	PARTICIPANT LAST NAME:	DOB:	GRADE:	SCHOOL:	CLASS TITLE:	ACTIVITY #:	FEE:

SHIRT SIZE (only if the program requires this information): Please circle one- YS YM YL AS AM AL AXL AXXL

GENERAL REGISTRATION/FUNDING INFORMATION: Register early! Many classes fill up quickly. Please register one week in advance so we can make class enrollment decisions. Registrants are contacted only if the class is cancelled. Clarkston Community Education reserves the right to cancel a class due to insufficient registrations. Community Enrichment programs are funded entirely by class fees. Any classes that do not meet the minimum enrollment requirements may be canceled. Pre-registration is required for all programs. The cost of classes cannot be prorated. NO drop-in registration available.

REFUNDS/TRANSFERS/ACCOUNT CREDIT: Please read carefully before registering for a class. Full refunds will be given if a class is canceled by the office. Participate requested refunds must be made prior to the beginning of the second class, regardless of attendance. All participate requested refunds, program transfers, or withdrawing from a program to add credit to your family account, will be charged a \$10 processing fee. The cost of materials cannot be refunded.

NO REFUNDS: No refunds issued for programs/events meeting once or twice (unless requested two business days in advance of the start date) or if the program description states no refunds. We cannot give any full or partial refunds for canceled or postponed classes due to inclement weather/school closings ordered by Clarkston Community Schools, Oakland County Health Department, or the State of Michigan. We cannot give any full or partial refunds for participants due to absences regardless of reason (unless medical with a valid doctor's note).

INCLEMENT WEATHER/SCHOOL CLOSING/CANCELED CLASSES: In the event Clarkston Community Schools are closed, all Community Education classes will be canceled or postponed. We will make an attempt to reschedule canceled or postponed classes if possible. You will be notified via email about rescheduled canceled or postponed classes. Classes could be made up in-person or virtually. If class is canceled due to the absence of the instructor, a makeup class will be provided (full or partial refunds will not be available). Classes cannot be made up for participant absences regardless of reason. We cannot give any full or partial refunds for canceled or postponed classes due to inclement weather/school closings ordered by Clarkston Community Schools, Oakland County Health Department, or the State of Michigan.

PARTICIPATION WAIVER: By participating in Clarkston Community Education in-person programs, all participants and their kin will automatically agree to the Clarkston Community Schools & Clarkston Community Education Programs General Waiver of Liability Agreement. Copies of our waiver can be found on the Clarkston Community Education webpage. Participants and their kin also agree and understand that these terms, policies, and producers could be updated under the guidance of Clarkston Community Schools, Clarkston Community Education, Oakland County Health Department, or the State of Michigan and agree to follow new updates as they are released.