



Williamston Area Senior Center

Come as guests, stay as friends!



Tina, Violet, & Susan



Billy McAllister-Sinatra Tribute Show



Williamston students visit to make Easter eggs with the seniors, so much fun!



Happy Birthday Mary!

May—June 2025

Newsletter

Lunch Program

The WASC is open Monday-Thursday from 9am-3pm for cards, lunch and activities. Lunch is provided by the *Tri-County Office on Aging* or local area restaurants with a suggested donation of \$4 per meal. Please call a day in advance to make reservations for lunch at 517-655-5173. For additional information please check out the WASC newsletter or website. And if you are homebound and need meals delivered to you please call *Meals on Wheels* at 888-224-3030, option 4.

Where to find the WASC

If you are looking for current and future activities continue reading the newsletter or check out the WASC Facebook page and website. If you have any questions please call or email for more information.

Website: www.williamstonseniorcenter.org

Facebook: Williamston Area Senior Center

Phone: 517-655-5173

Email: williamstonseniorctr@gmail.com

Hours of Operation

Monday - Thursday, 9am - 3pm

WASC Location

The WASC is now located at 500 Williamston Center Rd. in Williamston, Michigan 48895. We have reserved (handicap) parking/access and automatic front doors.



Our volunteers, Pattie & Darlene

WASC Mission

The WASC shall be a “go-to” resource where aging adults and their families find support, guidance, educational, and social programs assisting seniors 60 years of age and older for navigating life transitions, and continuing to be active, healthy, and engaged in the community.

Our mission is reflected in our motto:

Come as guests, stay as friends!

WASC Purpose

The WASC shall provide educational, enrichment, health awareness, and social programs; shall serve as a resource for individuals needing assistance with medical and social service networks; and shall collaborate with other community agencies, local government, and trained professionals to meet the needs of the senior population.

Hello from the Williamston Library!

The Williamston library staff have been coming to the Williamston Area Senior Center for a while now to help answer technology questions on one Monday a month. Did you know you can schedule an appointment at the library to have us help you with any technical questions? It's a program the library offers called Book a Librarian. You can call us at 517-655-1191 and schedule a time to come in to get personal help with your phone, computer or tablet.

The library schedules this when there is enough staff working so that you can get the personal help you need with your questions.

See you at the next Mind Benders!

Jackie McDonald
Williamston Library Assistant

The Director's Corner



It has now been almost 4 months since we moved into our building. We have seen some amazing changes and we have just begun. I told someone the other day, there's a positive energy, you feel it when you walk into the building. Our membership is growing almost daily. The exercise group continues to grow. Our bike club will be starting up soon. We are planning a yard sale Friday, June 20th during the week of Jubilee at the building. I feel like this Senior Center is becoming a game changer for the seniors in the Williamston area who want to live a full life with activities, opportunities, and friendship. Hope to see you soon!

Julie Rudd, WASC Executive Director
wascdirector01@gmail.com



The President's Post



The Williamston Area Senior Center has changed and grown so much in the last three years! Such positive improvements and many new opportunities are now available for seniors in Williamston and the surrounding township areas!

I've been honored to be WASC President, working beside Julie Rudd, our Executive Director, and learning so much from her leadership and amazing skills as we bought a new building for WASC, and transformed it into a beautiful, functional Senior Center for all of us. We've gone through many struggles and "learning curves," but we continue to overcome these obstacles with grace and vision for what we want to accomplish in the future. Thank you for all your friendships and efforts! I am stepping down as president but will remain on the board and continue being a member of WASC. Wishing you all great years ahead!

Ann Lemmen, WASC Board President

WASC STAFF, BOARD, THANK YOU, & WISHLIST

Staff

Executive Director: Julie Rudd

Assistant Director: Anne McKinney

Administrative Assistant: Dawn Harris

Kitchen Coordinator: Pat Cookingham

*We have a new kitchen coordinator, Pat Cookingham who is getting the kitchen organized, making some fabulous homemade meals, spoiling our seniors and truly is a excellent addition to our team.
Welcome Pat!*



Board of Directors

President: Ann Lemmen (2026)

Vice President: Karleen Dimick (2025)

Secretary: Marilyn Thompson (2026)

Treasurer: Ray Lemmen (ex-officio)

Trustees

Mark Steinberg (2025)

Beth Zetterholm (2025)

Sharon Basil (2026)

Jolene Gustafson (2027)

Sharon LaPointe (2027)

Community Representatives:

Troy Leonard, Wheatfield Township

Tammy Gilroy, City of Williamston

Wilma Whitehead, Leroy Township



THANK YOU-FOR YOUR SUPPORT

March 2025

Dianna Frank

Paul & Karen Higbee

Karen Spak

Steve Wing

Beth Zetterholm

Tina Maurer

Violet Lentz

Mickey Manley

*And as always,
many thanks to our
wonderful volunteers!*

February 2025

Jan Bowman

Carolyn Schuster

Marguerite Martin

Paul & Karen Higbee

Jolene Gustafson

Mary Rubus

Carolyn Schuster

Dianna Frank

Joan & Bob Bement

Karen O'Connor

Beth Zetterholm

- Ground Roast Coffee, Regular and/or Decaf
- Black Tea bags
- Coffee Mate Flavored Liquid Creamer
- 12oz & 16oz Styrofoam Cups
- Small white kitchen garbage bags
- Chinet Dinner Plates
- Small Dessert Plates
- Copy Paper
- Dinner Napkins 15" x 17"
- Paper Towels
- Bingo Prizes: Non-Perishable Food Items and Individual Snacks
- Gift Cards: Walmart, Meijer, Costco, Local Area Restaurants and Businesses



Celebrating Birthdays

May

- Diana Aldrink
- Susan Anderson
- Mike Brown
- Jack Canfield
- Patricia Cate
- August Colandrea
- Barbara DeGrand
- Mike Freeman
- Sheila Freeman
- Sharon Harrison
- Marlowe Hart
- Ann Lemmen
- Sandie Litchfield
- Lori Morris
- Shirley Pettis
- Margo Rudd
- William Smith
- John Sura
- Bob Thompson
- Scott Tomlinson
- Brenda Towery
- Ken West
- Kelly Wojack

June

- Norma Andrews
- Gerry Beach
- Susan Bisard
- Karen Bollman
- John Bollman
- Pat Flint
- Wayne Gregg
- Kathy Hall
- Linda Higgason
- Roxanne Houghton
- John Manack
- Melanie Pletcher
- Marian Schade
- William Sleight
- Tammy Voss
- Michael Willcock
- Sharon Wilson-Dureich
- Kim Wiseman

February 2025

- Ian LeVine donation
- Marlowe Hart in Memory of her son, Rodney, donation to Bldg. Fund
- Alice Heim in Memory of Mike Shaft
- Gerry Beach donation to Bldg. Fund
- Bob & Marilyn Thompson in Memory of Mike Shaft to Bldg. Fund
- Mike Klanecky donation
- Joan & Bob Bement in Memory of Mike Shaft

March 2025

- Paul Tarr donation
- Jerry & Sandy Smith donation to Bldg. Fund
- Violet Lentz in memory of Luella Ballenger



Happy 101 Birthday Marlowe!



MAY 2025



Williamston Area Senior Center Activities and Events

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
<p>5 Cards 9-11:45 Sew-a-thon and Craft-a-thon 9am -BP Checks 10:00 -Exercise 10:30</p>	<p>6 Cards 9-11:45 -Field Trip to make Tulip Arrangements at Tracy's 12:30pm - 2:30pm</p>	<p>7 Cards 9-11:45 -Exercise 10:30 -Chair Volleyball 12:30 -Needle Work Group 1-3</p>	<p>1 Cards 9-11:45 BIRTHDAY BASH -Exercise 10:30 -Card Making w/Sandra 12:30</p>
<p>12 Cards 9-11:45 -Exercise 10:30 -Mother's Day Celebration Fun & Games 12:30</p>	<p>13 Cards 9-11:45 -National Apple Pie Day -Annual WASC Meeting at the senior center</p>	<p>14 Cards 9-11:45 -Exercise 10:30 -RSVP Volunteer Program presented by Jim 12:30 -Needle Work Group 1-3</p>	<p>15 Cards 9-11:45 -Exercise 10:30 -Quarter Bingo 12:30</p>
<p>19 Cards 9-11:45 -Bike Club Info Meeting 9:30 -Chair Massage 10:00 -Exercise 10:30 -CADL Tech Support 11:45 -MSU Extension 'Food Allergies' 12:30</p>	<p>20 Cards 9-11:45 -Family Feud 12:30</p>	<p>21 Cards 9-11:45 -Exercise 10:30 -Yoga for All 12:30 -Needle Work Group 1-3</p>	<p>22 Cards 9-11:45 -Exercise 10:30 -Book Club 'A Storied Life of AJ Fikry' by Gabrielle Zevin 12:45</p>
<p>26 Memorial Day CLOSED</p>	<p>27 Cards 9-11:45 -Mind Benders 12:30</p>	<p>28 Cards 9-11:45, Exercise 10:30 -Mitch & Earl present 'The Walter Estes Story' 12:30 -Needle Work Group 1-3</p>	<p>29 Cards 9-11:45 -Exercise 10:30 -Monica Schafer, Ingham Co. Commissioner updates 12:30</p>

JUNE 2025



Williamston Area Senior Center Activities and Events

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
<p>2 Cards 9-11:45 -Bike Club 9:00 -BP Checks 10:00 -Exercise 10:30 -Nurse Chat with Michelle 'Hydration and Dehydration' 12:30</p>	<p>3 Cards 9-11:45 -Walking Club 10:30 -Dawn from Dawn's Early Light Homecare presents at 12:30</p>	<p>4 Cards 9-11:45 -Exercise 10:30 -Chair Volleyball 12:30 -Needle Work Group 1-3</p>	<p>5 Cards 9-11:45 BIRTHDAY BASH -Exercise 10:30 -Craft with Nila 12:30 (from Independence Village)</p>
<p>9 Cards 9-11:45 -Bike Club 9:00 -Exercise 10:30 -Mi Elder Justice Initiative 'Not Everyone is a Friend: Protecting Your Identity & Assets' 12:30</p>	<p>10 Cards 9-11:45 -Walking Club 10:30 -Wheel of Fortune 12:30 -WASC Board Mtg 12:30</p>	<p>11 Cards 9-11:45 -Exercise 10:30 -Madison (TCOA) presents 'Medicare 101' (Fraud, changes, etc) at 12:30 -Needle Work Group 1-3</p>	<p>12 Cards 9-11:45 -Exercise 10:30 -Drum Circle 12:30</p>
<p>16 Cards 9-11:45 -Bike Club 9:00 -Chair Massage 10am -Exercise 10:30 -Father's Day Celebration 12:30</p>	<p>17 CLOSED Jubilee Picnic at McCormick Park 11:00 -Father Clark at 12:30</p>	<p>18 Cards 9-11:45 -Exercise 10:30 -Yoga for All 12:30 -Needle Work Group 1-3</p>	<p>19 Cards 9-11:45 -Exercise 10:30 -Build Your Word Game 12:30</p>
<p>23 Cards 9-11:45 -Bike Club 9:00 -Exercise 10:30 -CADL Tech Support 10:45 -Katherine (DPT) - 'Strategies for a pain free summer' 12:30</p>	<p>24 Cards 9-11:45 -Walking Club 10:30 -Mind Benders at 12:30</p>	<p>25 Cards 9-11:45 -Exercise 10:30 -Bob Howe presents 'All that Glitter is not Gold' & live auction at 12:30 -Needle Work Group 1-3</p>	<p>26 Cards 9-11:45 -Exercise 10:30 -Book Club 'Water From My Heart' by Charles Martin 12:30</p>
<p>30 Cards 9-11:45 -Bike Club 9:00 -Exercise 10:30 -Craft with Pat at 12:30</p>			

MAY 2025



Williamston Area Senior Center MENU

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
<p>Note: Monday and Thursday lunches are now \$4 per person.</p>			<p>1 BIRTHDAY BASH Ham Potatoes Dessert \$4 Lunch</p>
<p>5 Tacos (Beef/Chicken) Spanish Rice, Coleslaw Dessert \$4 Lunch</p>	<p>6 Goulash Summer Squash Spinach Salad, Garlic Toast Pears</p>	<p>7 Chicken Stir Fry Baby Corn Fried Rice Fresh Apple</p>	<p>8 Shepherd's Pie Carrot Salad Dessert \$4 Lunch</p>
<p>12 Meatloaf Vegetable Dessert \$4 Lunch</p>	<p>13 WASC ANNUAL MEETING Chicken Sandwich Salad, Chips Apple Pie</p>	<p>14 Wet Burrito (Beef/Bean) Mexican Corn, Black Beans Tortilla Chips Pineapple</p>	<p>15 Beef Stroganoff Vegetable Dessert \$4 Lunch</p>
<p>19 Chicken Salad Croissant Chips Dessert \$4 Lunch</p>	<p>20 Baked Fish (Tilapia) Broccoli, Couscous Tossed Salad Fresh Melon</p>	<p>21 Macaroni & Cheese Stewed Tomatoes Green Beans, Sliced Bread Pineapple</p>	<p>22 Baked Potato Bar with toppings Dessert \$4 Lunch</p>
<p>26 Memorial Day CLOSED</p>	<p>27 Salmon Patty Creamed Peas Mashed Potatoes Dinner Roll Fresh Orange</p>	<p>28 Baked Ham Scalloped Potatoes Tossed Salad Blueberry Muffin Banana</p>	<p>29 Salad Bar with toppings Roll Dessert \$4 Lunch</p>

DRUM CIRCLE & TRIPS



Drum Circle with Ian LeVine

Greetings all! My name is Ian LeVine. I am a 30+ year resident of Williamston, a proud member of the WASC, and for over 50 years I have been drumming both for fun and as a semi-professional musician.

Since October of 2022 I have facilitated a monthly interactive drumming session, also known as “drum circle,” at the Williamston Area Senior Center. We meet at 12:30pm, after lunch, once a month. The session is free and open to everyone. No prior drumming experience is required and I provide everything you need to learn about and have fun with percussion instruments and interactive drumming. We have fun working together to explore rhythm in a very positive and supportive social setting. So, come give drum circle a try. It can be a marvelously fun way to take care of your mind, body and spirit. Please refer to your WASC Activities to determine future drum circle dates. If you have further questions about the sessions or drumming in general you may contact me via e-mail at: spartandrummer1@gmail.com

Exclusive Charter PREMIER WORLD DISCOVERY

Williamston Area Senior Center presents
Holland Windmills, Waterways & Tulips River Cruise
 featuring 7 Nights aboard the Amadeus Amara
 9 Days April 20, 2026

BOOKING DISCOUNT!
 Save \$200 per person
 \$400 per couple*
*Save \$1000 on travel for Booking Discount status

2026 Trips!

Call us if you want more information!

PREMIER WORLD DISCOVERY

Williamston Area Senior Center presents
Alaska Cruisetour
 featuring Fairbanks, Denali National Park & 7 Nights Aboard the Norwegian Jade

12 Days August 13, 2026

About the Norwegian Jade

- ▶ 15 Dining Options
- ▶ 12 Bars / Lounges
- ▶ Spa & Fitness Center
- ▶ Sports Court
- ▶ Jogging / Walking Track
- ▶ Jade Casino
- ▶ Stardust Lounge Theatre
- ▶ Swimming Pool & Hot Tubs

Ship Statistics

- ▶ Gross Tonnage - 93,558
- ▶ Cruise Speed - 22 knots
- ▶ Occupancy - 2,402 guests (double occupancy)
- ▶ Length - 960 feet



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SENIOR CENTER

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WASC / Phone: 517-655-5173



*Check out our Facebook page!
And don't hesitate to call the
center with questions about activities-
events or to make reservations for lunch.*

**WILLIAMSTON AREA SENIOR CENTER
MEMBERSHIP DUES 2025**



Cost is \$12/year per person. Please complete the information below and return to WASC along with your payment.

PRINT CLEARLY

NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____
STATE: _____ ZIP: _____ TOWNSHIP: _____
HOME PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE: _____
EMAIL ADDRESS: _____
EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME/PHONE: _____
ARE YOU A NEW MEMBER _____ RENEWING MEMBER _____
BIRTH DATE: _____
ARE YOU A VETERAN YES _____ NO _____
I GIVE THE WASC MY PERMISSION TO USE ANY PHOTOS/VIDEOS
TAKEN OF ME: YES _____ NO _____
WOULD YOU LIKE TO VOLUNTEER: YES _____ NO _____
Initials _____ Date _____ Check # or Cash _____ Amount _____ Newsletter _____

Please complete form and return with your payment to:

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