



WILLIAMSTON AREA
SENIOR CENTER

Williamston Area Senior Center

Come as guests, stay as friends!



Painting Class!



*Thank you Alice for
wearing your fur!*



Crafting with the WHS PALs!



March - April 2026

Newsletter

Lunch Program

The *Williamston Area Senior Center* is open Monday-Thursday for lunch. Monday and Thursday our kitchen provides homemade meals, the cost is \$4 per person, per meal.

Tuesday and Wednesday lunch is provided by *Tri-County Office on Aging*, with a suggested donation of \$4 per person, per meal.

Please call at least 24 hours 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 call *Meals on Wheels* at 888-224-3030, option 4.

Where to find the WASC

If you are looking for information on the WASC, please check out our Website and Facebook. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to call or email for more information.

Website: www.williamstonseniorctr.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 located at:
500 Williamston Center Rd.
Williamston, Michigan 48895

*We have reserved handicap parking & automatic front doors.



WASC Mission

The Williamston Area Senior Center 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:

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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.



Don't forget it's time to renew your 2026 membership! Your annual membership helps support the programs, activities, and connections that make the Williamston Area Senior Center such a special place.

We are grateful for your continued involvement and look forward to another wonderful year together.

Staff

Executive Director: Julie Rudd

Events/Activities Coordinator: Tamara West

Kitchen Coordinator: Pat Cookingham

Administrative Assistant: Dawn Harris

Board of Directors

President: Jolene Gustafson

Vice President: Mark Steinberg

Secretary: Margie Stehenson

Treasurer: Ray Lemmen

Board Members

Ann Lemmen (2026)

Sharon Basil (2026)

Karleen Dimick (2028)

Jill Cutshaw (2028)

Sharon LaPointe (2027)

City / Township Officials

City of Williamston Mayor, Tammy Gilroy

Leroy Township Supervisor, Earl Griffes

Locke Township Supervisor, Nate Lott

Wheatfield Township Supervisor, Troy Leonard

Williamstown Township Supervisor, Ron Poth

WISHLIST

- Black Tea Bags
- Flavored Liquid Creamer
- 12oz & 16oz Styrofoam Cups
- Small Styrofoam Bowls
- Small & Large to-go Containers
- 13 Gallon Kitchen Garbage Bags
- Chinet Dinner Plates
- Small Dessert Plates
- Copy Paper
- Dinner Napkins
- Batteries AA
- Bingo Prizes: Non-Perishable Food Items and Individual Snack Packs
- Gift Cards: Gordon Food Service, Walmart, Meijer, Costco, Amazon, Home Depot and Local Area Restaurants and Businesses
- And We're Always Looking for Volunteers!



Celeste & John exercising/dancing!



From the Director's Desk



As we step into spring, with March giving way to April, we're filled with gratitude for the warmth, connection, and growth we've seen in the Williamston Area Senior Center over this past year. Whether we come together through card games, exercise classes, art sessions, craft projects, lunch conversations, or simply sharing stories and smiles. March and April promises even more: special guest speakers, new crafts, and plenty of opportunities to connect with one another. I encourage you to try something new! And, I truly am so very thankful to be on this journey with all of you! Here's to a bright, flourishing spring!

Julie Rudd, WASC Executive Director
wascdirector01@gmail.com



The President's Post



I'm hoping everyone is looking forward to the months of March and April as much as I am. New growth both personally and in Mother nature, flowers popping out of the ground and green trees.

Daylight Savings time March 9, St. Patrick's Day March 17, Spring Equinox March 20, and Easter April 5 are all dates that bring a smile to my face. It's time to redecorate the house and get outside and enjoy.

Looking forward to seeing you this spring at the Senior Center.

Jolene Gustafson, WASC Board President

December 2025

- Jeanette Robertson
- American Senior Benefits
- Brenda Towery
- Bob & Lea Estes, in Memory of Bob Klausing and Cloyce Odell Jr
- Williamston Kiwanis Club
- Lea Estes
- Jeanette Moreno
- Lorraine Johnson
- Dianna Frank, in Memory of Butch Frank
- Bill & Jean Southwick
- Violet Lentz, in Memory of Leroy Horstman
- Carolyn Schuster
- Linda Grant
- Bob & Norma Ward
- Mary Rubus



January 2026

- Mickie Manley, in Memory of Bob Estes
- Kurt Guter
- Jannet Bowman
- Joan & Bob Bement
- Lea Estes
- Marilyn & Bob Thompson, in Memory of Bob Estes and Norma Ward
- Joyce Rice, in Memory of Bob Estes
- Lisa & Peter Ackerly, in Memory of Bob Estes
- Alice Heim, in Memory of Bob Estes and Norma Ward
- Lea Estes, in Memory of Bob Estes
- Russ & Susan Cockerill, in Memory of Bob Estes and Norma Ward
- Dawn & Ron Harris, in Memory of Bob Estes and Norma Ward
- Vernon & Charlene Cobb, in Memory of Bob Estes
- Julie Rudd, in Memory of Bob Estes and Norma Ward
- And thanks to all of our wonderful ***VOLUNTEERS!***

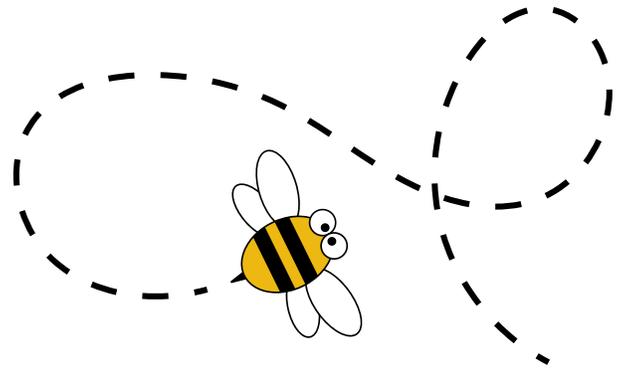
March

- Richard Allison
- Brenda Arnoczky
- Joe Bachar
- Sharon Basil
- Theresa Belles
- Barb Bridges
- Cindy Brown
- Jean Chisnell
- Steve Cleland
- Nancy Cody
- Debbie Dennis
- Albert Easley
- Lea Estes
- George Eyster
- Diane Fissette
- Cynthia French
- Gretchen Goehmann
- Claudette Haas
- Dale Howe
- Nancy Johnson
- Nancy Klein
- Violet Lentz
- Marian Messner
- Deborah Sauborn
- Kathy Sheathelm
- Tracy Shingledecker
- Pam Sivak
- Deborah Sleight
- Harold Sodeman
- Sandy Thomasson
- Rosaria Varesi
- Joel Washington
- Jerrel Webb
- Darlene Westrate
- Steve Wing
- Pattie Wieber

April

- Sharon Anderson
- Anis Ahmed
- Allie Clendenan
- Pat Cookingham
- Jane Louise Dettore
- Ron Dietz
- Carol Grainger
- Beverly Jablonowski
- Bob Johnson
- Jack Joseph
- Charles Klein
- Jacqueline LaForge
- Keith Litchfield
- Linda Oesterle
- Janet Peckens
- Noel Pomorski
- Charles Rogers
- Mary Rubus
- Michael Schuchaskie
- Leo Sheets
- Ida Silsby
- Kathie Sodeman
- Karen Spak
- Bob Thomasson
- Arla Weaver





Calling All Knitters:

4-Week Knitting Series - Beginners & Beyond
Have you ever wanted to learn how to knit, or brush up on skills you already have? We're exploring the idea of hosting a FREE 4-week knitting activity for both beginners and advanced knitters at the Williamston Area Senior Center, on Thursday from 9:30am-10:30 and we'd love to see who might be interested!
This relaxed, welcoming series would be a great chance to learn the basics if you're brand new or even pick up new techniques if you already knit. Everyone is welcome, go at your own pace, no pressure. Interested? If this sounds like something you'd enjoy, please let us know! Give us a call 517-410-9433 and we'll sign you up!



WELCOME TAMARA!

We're excited to welcome Tamara West to the Williamston Area Senior Center family as our new Events/Activities Coordinator!
Tamara brings a passion for creating engaging, meaningful experiences for our seniors, and she's already buzzing with ideas to keep our calendar full of fun, connection, and learning. Please join us in giving her a big Williamston welcome, we're thrilled to have her on board and can't wait for you to meet her around the Senior Center!



Happy Birthday Rahn!

March 2026

Williamston Area Senior Center Activities and Events

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
<p>2) 9-11:45 Cards 10:00 Blood Pressure Check 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Beltone Hearing w Shelia Blower</p>	<p>3) 9-11:45 Cards 1030 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Cards & Games</p>	<p>4) 9-11:45 Cards 9:30 Chair Exercise 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 MAX The Cat w Deb Small 1:00 Needle Work</p>	<p>5) MARCH BIRTHDAY BASH 9-11:45 Cards 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Bingo w/ Christy Crandell, The Willows</p>
<p>9) 9-11:45 Cards 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Dr Beth Faber, DDS</p>	<p>10) 9-11:45 Cards 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Cards & Games</p>	<p>11) 9-11:45am: Cards 9:30 Chair Exercise 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Drum Circle 1:00 Needle Work</p>	<p>12) 9-11:45 Cards 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Dave Trojan "The History and Mystery of Area 51"</p>
<p>16) 9-11:45 Cards 9:00 Chair Massage 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Painting w Paul</p>	<p>17) 9-11:45 Cards 1030 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Mind Benders w CADL Jackie St Patrick's Day March Madness Games Begin</p>	<p>18) 9-11:45 Cards 9:30 Chair Exercise 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Bill Struck "The Magical Journey-The Spartan Locomotive" 1:00 Needle Work</p>	<p>19) 9-11:45 Cards 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Bingo w Chief Weiss</p>
<p>23) 9-11:45am Cards 10:30 Exercise 10:45 CADL Tech Support 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 AARP Tax Day- Appointments</p>	<p>24) 9-11:45 Cards 1030 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Cards & Games</p>	<p>25) 9-11:45 Cards 9:30 Chair Exercise 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH Noon Nurse Chat w/ Michelle 1:00 Needle Work</p>	<p>26) 9-11:45 Cards 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:45 Book Club</p>
<p>30) 9-11:45am Cards 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 "Making Meals in a Rice Cooker" w/ Julie Powers, Disability Network</p>	<p>31) 9-11:45 Cards 1030 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Cards & Games</p>		

*Unfortunately, there may be times that activities are subject to change.

APRIL 2026		Williamston Area Senior Center Activities & Events		
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	
<p>6) 9-11:45 Cards 10:00 Blood Pressure Check 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 MSU I-Speak Guest Oluwaseyi Fasunhan from Nigeria</p> <p>13) 9-11:45 Cards 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Author Rod Sadler "Depraved Obsession" and current works in progress</p> <p>20) 9-11:45am Cards 9am Chair Massage 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 ARK Animal Encounters w Rebecca Barrett</p> <p>27) 9-11:45am Cards 10:30 Exercise 10:45 CADL Tech Support 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 TBA</p>	<p>7) 9-11:45 Cards 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Cards & Games</p> <p>14) 9-11:45 Cards 1030 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 WASC Board Meeting Final Four Playoffs begin</p> <p>21) 9-11:45 Cards 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Mind Benders w CADL Jackie</p> <p>28) 9-11:45 Cards 1030 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Cards & Games</p>	<p>9-11:45 Cards 9:30 Chair Exercise 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Earl K Wolf "Travel Mexico, Hiking to Monarchs" 1:00 Needle Work</p> <p>8) 9-11:45am: Cards 9:30 Chair Exercise 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Drum Circle 1:00 Needle Work</p> <p>15) 9-11:45 Cards 9:30 Chair Exercise 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 TBA 1:00 Needle Work</p> <p>22) 9-11:45 Cards 9:30 Chair Exercise 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH Noon Nurse Chat w/ Michelle 12:30 TBA 1:00 Needle Work</p> <p>29) 9-11:45 Cards 9:30 Chair Exercise 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Gary Post "Travels in Greece" 1:00 Needle Work</p>	<p>2) APRIL BIRTHDAY BASH 9-11:45 Cards 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 PALS Easter Crafts</p> <p>9) 9-11:45 Cards 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 A Virtual Museum Visit w Julie Powers, Disability Network</p> <p>16) 9-11:45 Cards 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 TBA</p> <p>23) 9-11:45 Cards 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:45 Book Club</p> <p>30) 9-11:45 Cards 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Card Making w Sandra</p>	

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MARCH 2026 MENU		Williamston Area Senior Center	
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
2	3	4	5
Pulled Pork Sandwiches, Coleslaw, Chips, Dessert \$4 per person	Cheese Omelet, Carrots, Seasoned Potatoes, Orange	Pork Chop, Broccoli, Mashed Potatoes, Bread, Strawberry Applesauce	Tomato Soup, Grilled Cheese or Tuna Melt, Chips, Dessert, \$4 per person
9	10	11	12
Chicken Fettuccine, Salad, Garlic Bread, Dessert \$4 per person	Beef Taco, Cheese, Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Black Beans, Spanish Rice, Banana	Hamburger on Bun, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Orange	Meatball Sub Casserole, Salad, Dessert \$4 per person
16	17	18	19
Chicken Pot Pie, Salad, Dessert \$4 per person	Corn Beef, Cabbage/Carrots, New Potatoes, Sour Dough Bread, Applesauce	Shepards Pie, Green Beans, Cauliflower, Bread, Orange	Salmon, Salad, Broccoli, Rice Pilaf, Dessert \$4 per person
23	24	25	26
French Dip, Salad, Chesy Potatoes, Dessert \$4 per person	Baked Ham, Sweet Potatoes, Cauliflower, Blueberry Muffin, Plums	Sloppy Joe on Bun, Carrots, Baked Beans, Pineapple	Pork Roast, Sauerkraut, Dumplings, Green Beans, Dessert, \$4 per person
30	31		
Chili, Cornbread, Salad, Dessert, \$4 per person	Baked Fish, Broccoli, Tossed Salad, Couscous, Pears		

*Please call 517-655-5173 for lunch reservations 24 hours in advance.



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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 2026**



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 : _____
 EMAIL _____
 ADDRESS: _____
 EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME: _____
 EMERGENCY CONTACT 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 TAKE
 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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