



Williamston Area Senior Center

Come as guests, stay as friends!



Our Duck Ticket Supervisor!



Join our Needlework Group!



Patio Furniture is set up and ready to use!



Congratulations to Marguerite Martin, the WASC Volunteer of the Year!



July - August 2026 *Newsletter*

ABOUT THE WASC, MISSION, PURPOSE

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.



One of crafts projects!

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

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Ann Lemmen (2026)

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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



- 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
- 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!



Fresh locally grown strawberries made a delicious strawberry shortcake dessert!

From the Director's Desk



Dawn, Julie, Christy and Jolene

Summer is in full swing, and the WASC has been buzzing with activity! It has been wonderful to see so many familiar faces enjoying our programs, special events, exercise classes, and time spent together. The warm weather has also given us opportunities to enjoy our outdoor spaces, whether gathering on the patio, visiting before lunch, or simply enjoying a beautiful Michigan day.

As always, I encourage you to invite a friend, neighbor, or family member to visit the center and see all that we have to offer. I hope you enjoy the summer, stay safe in the heat, and take time to enjoy all of beauty this season has to offer.

Julie Rudd, WASC Executive Director

wascdirector01@gmail.com



The President's Post

It has been fun sitting with our members and listening about their travel adventures this summer. At one of those sittings the Senior Center Premier travel series came up. I have done one of the trips to Savannah, Georgia, by myself in March 2024. I have traveled to many places and wondered how this trip would compare. It exceeded my expectations. They scheduled the flights to Detroit (DTW). On the day we departed, Premier sent a car to pick me up at my house and take me to the airport gate. Likewise on our return back to Detroit, there was a car to take me back to my house. What a relief it was to not have to travel on the icy roads and in Detroit traffic. The daily trip excursions were very well planned and very informative. I got to meet other seniors from all around the United States.

In our conversation the other day, the Majestic Canadian Rockies trip came up. It is August 8, 2027, so lots of time to plan. This trip is 6 days and only one hotel stop in Banff National Park. The activity level is rated somewhat easy. In August the weather and scenery should be beautiful. I'm excited to sign up...who wants to go with me to Canada?

Enjoy your Michigan adventures this summer!

Jolene Gustafson, WASC Board President



THANK YOU & HAPPY BIRTHDAY

April 2026

- Paula Warren
- John Taschner, in Memory of his Father
- Nancy Williams, in Memory of her deeply loved husband, Richard Williams
- Fred Moon
- Joan Bement
- Karen Spak
- Violet Lentz



May 2026

- Gerald & Sandra Smith
- Mark Johnson
- William Fate, in Memory of Dee Fate
- Williamston Eagles 4091
- Darlene Kittle
- Beverly Zetterholm
- Jim Conroy
- Wayne Gregg
- Debbie Dennis
- And thanks to all of our wonderful ***VOLUNTEERS!***



The first Thursday of every month is one of our favorite traditions, our Birthday Bash! Join us!

July

- Marilyn Adams-Parent
- Jacqueline Andrews
- Tom Barrett
- Bob Bement
- Rich Boyer
- Kristin Brock
- Karen Bryde
- Brindley Byrd
- Caroline Cannarile
- Janeen Cleland
- Gene Dietz
- Karleen Dimick
- Helen Eisele
- Kathy Fellows
- Dianna Frank
- Betsy Greene
- Michael Grimes
- Paul Higbee
- James Lawton
- Linda Lepeak
- Mary Ellen Lock
- Ken Lycos
- Marguerite Martin
- Tina Maurer
- Ruth Millhisler
- Fred Moon
- Patti Norton
- Randall Oesterle
- Randy Schafer
- Barbara Smith
- Dee Ann Soper
- Silvana Spagnuolo
- Helen Utley
- Karol West
- Louise Wise

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

August

- Susan Cockerill
- Barbara Belles
- Jeanie Bertrand
- Ann Daniel
- Warren Dimick
- Cathy Easley
- Connie Foster
- Kelli Hart
- Vicki Hoisington
- Susan Hopp
- Phyllis Hoppe
- Nola Hudson
- Patricia Jennings
- Clifford Johnson
- Tito Lleras
- Rose Mason
- Marcia Maxwell
- Albert Myers
- Teri Nelson
- Jack Odell
- Karen O'Connor
- Marcia Rhodes
- Nick Siettas
- Curtis Smith
- Dean Snider
- Margie Stephenson
- Suzan Watkins
- Nancy Williams
- Beverly Zetterholm



Williamston - Capital Area District Library

Voting on a millage is an important way for community members to have a say in how local services are funded and maintained.

On August 4, voters will be asked to renew library funding for the next four years. Since 1998, our residents have funded the Capital Area District Libraries by adopting a millage collected through property taxes. The millage supplies 90% of the library's budget. These funds are used to purchase library collections, offer great programs like Mind Benders and Senior Tech Help, pay staff salaries, and guarantee services such as the summer reading challenge. This year's millage vote is asking voters to simply maintain the funding, not increase it.

The library cannot operate without this funding. For more details and to find out more, please feel free to pick up our millage rack cards at the Williamston Library or visit www.cadl.org/millage

Thank you! Jackie McDonald, Williamston Library Assistant

Michigan Author Series



Wednesday, July 15th brings Williamston-raised author and photographer Mikel B. Classen and his award-winning book "Piracy on the Great Lakes, true tales of freshwater Michigan Lakes and the history of piracy on the Great Lakes. Detailing the various types of pirates, their methods and the commodities they targeted. The narrative is filled with tales of daring exploits and the social and economic role of piracy in America's adolescence. This is a must read for those interested in the intriguing history of the Great Lakes and the impact of piracy on the region's economy and society.

Thursday, August 13th Exie Susanne Smith will join us to share her experiences of helping people gain some understanding of the paranormal and spirit world she has had on her life's journey of the paranormal, beginning at the age of twelve. Starting with her first book, "Welcome to My Para"Normal" Life and her other books: "When The Dead Come Calling," "The Essence of Death" and "Dialog with the Dead". Join us to hear about her lifetime journey, and we'll leave the lights on.

JULY 2026 Williamston Area Senior Center Activities & Events

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
		1) 9-11:45am Cards 9:30 Chair Exercise 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 D.J. Carleton, Musician 1:00 -3:00 Needle Work	2) JULY BIRTHDAY BASH 9-11:45 Cards 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH <i>Enjoy the holiday weekend!</i>
6) 9-11:45 Cards 10:00 Blood Pressure Check 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 "Bless You Boys" Detroit Tigers Historical Presentation w/ Todd Walter	7) 9-11:30 WASC Biking Group 9-11:45 Cards 9-9:30 NO Chi Rising (vacation) 11:45 LUNCH	8) 9-11:45am: Cards 9:30 Chair Exercise 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Care Patrol w/Dennis 1:00 -3:00 Needle Work	9) CLOSED FOR PICNIC PREP 11:45 Summer Picnic at Leroy Simmons Park - play Human Bingo @ 2963 S Webberville Rd Please use Sign Up Sheet at Front Desk
13) 9-11:45 Cards 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Card Making w Sandra Sign up Sheet available	14) 9-11:30 WASC Biking Group 9-11:45 Cards 9-9:30 NO Chi Rising (vacation) 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 WASC Board Meeting	15) 9-11:45 Cards 9:30 Chair Exercise 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 "Piracy on the Great Lakes" Michigan Author Mikel Classen 1:00 -3:00 Needle Work	16) 9-11:45 Cards 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 "Scams & Fraud" w Officer Eric Alt
20) 9-11:45 Cards 9:00 Chair Massage 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Cooking a Meal in a Rice Cooker Disability Network w Lilly	21) 9-11:30 WASC Biking Group 9-11:45 Cards 9-9:30 Chi Rising 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Mind Benders w Jackie CADL	22) 9-11:45 Cards 9:30 Chair Exercise 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:00 Nurse Chat w/ Michelle 12:30 Smart 911 w/ Captain Daenzer 1:00 -3:00 Needle Work	23) 9-11:45 Cards 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 WASC Annual Review 12:45 Book Club
27) 9-11:45 Cards 9:00 Table Massage 10:30 Exercise 10:45-11:45 CADL Tech Support 11:45 LUNCH/Alzheimer's Flower Sale w Melissa 12:30 Harris Nature Center- Michigan Songbirds	28) 9-11:30 WASC Biking Group 9-11:45 Cards 9-9:30 Chi Rising 11:45 LUNCH	29) 9-11:45 Cards 9:30 Chair Exercise 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Oasis Senior Advisors w Melissa	30) 9-11:45 Cards 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Dessert and BINGO w Medi Lodge Matt

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

AUGUST 2026 Williamston Area Senior Center Activities & Events

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
3) 9-11:45 Cards 10:00 BP Check 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12N Protecting Assets w American Senior Ben -Marli 12:30 The Louvre Virtual Museum Visit w Disability Network Lilly	4) 9-11:30 WASC Biking Group 9-11:45 Cards 9-9:30 Chi Rising 11:45 LUNCH 12N Protecting Assets w American Senior Ben -Marli 12:30 The Louvre Virtual Museum Visit w Disability Network Lilly	5) 9-11:45am: Cards 9:30 Chair Exercise 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 PACE w Jenny 1:00-3:00 Needle Work	6) AUGUST BIRTHDAY BASH National Root Beer Float Day 9-11:45 Cards 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Facials by Estee Lauder w Belinda (sign-up sheet out)
10) 9-11:45 Cards 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Dr. Kathleen Romeo	11) 9-11:30 WASC Biking Group 9-11:45 Cards 9-9:30 Chi Rising 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 WASC Board Meeting	12) 9-11:45am: Cards 9:30 Chair Exercise 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Bright Star Home Care Nick 1:00-3:00 Needle Work	13) 9-11:45 Cards 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Exie Smith, Michigan Paranormal Author w four books
17) 9-11:45 Cards 9am Chair Massage 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Create Flower Bouquets from Ribbey Road Farm w Sally (Sign-up sheet out)	18) 9-11:30 WASC Biking Group 9-11:45 Cards 9-9:30 Chi Rising 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Mind Benders w CADL, Jackie	19) 9-11:45 Cards 9:30 Chair Exercise 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Greg Talberg Retirement Coach Q&A 1:00-3:00 Needle Work	20) 9-11:45 Cards 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12N Patio Picnic with Billy McAllister Celebrating National Senior Citizens Day w Christy @ The Willows
24) 9am Table Massage 9-11:45am Cards 9:30 Smiles on Wheels 10:30 Exercise 10:45 CADL Tech Support 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Bingo w Smiles on Wheels	25) 9-11:30 WASC Biking Group 9-11:45 Cards 9-9:30 Chi Rising 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Musician DJ Carleton - Clarinet 1:00-3:00 Needle Work	26) 9-11:45 Cards 9:30 Chair Exercise 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH Noon Nurse Chat w/ Michelle 12:30 Musician DJ Carleton - Clarinet 1:00-3:00 Needle Work	27) 9-11:45 Cards 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:45 Book Club
31) 9-11:45 Cards 10:30 Exercise 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 Consumers Energy w Amber			*Unfortunately, there may be times when activities are subject to change.

JULY 2026 MENU			Williamston Area Senior Center		
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday		
		1	2		
		Hamburger on Bun, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Orange	Chili Dogs, Chips, Pasta Salad, Dessert \$4 per person		
6	7	8	9		
Pork Tacos, Salad, Spanish Rice, Dessert \$4 per person	Manicotti, Summer Squash, Brussel Sprouts, Garlic Toast, Applesauce	Shepards Pie, Green Beans, Cauliflower, Sliced Bread, Orange	Brats, Chips, Asian Salad, Dessert \$4 per person		
13	14	15	16		
Chicken Wraps, Fresh Veggies, Dessert \$4 per person	Baked Ham, Sweet Potatoes, Cauliflower, Blueberry Muffin, Strawberry Applesauce	Sloppy Joe on Bun, Carrots, Potato Salad, Pineapple	Cod Sandwich, Coleslaw, Fresh Fruit, Dessert \$4 per person		
20	21	22	23		
Quiche, Salad, Dessert \$4 per person	Annual Board Meeting Lunch Provided by Old Nation	Macaroni & Cheese, Stewed Tomatoes, Cauliflower, Sliced Bread, Pineapple	Salsbury Steak, Salad, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Dessert \$4 per person		
27	28	29	30		
Hamburgers, Coleslaw, Smashed Potatoes, Dessert \$4 per person	Brats, Chips, Coleslaw, Dessert \$4 per person	Baked Ham, Brussel Sprouts, Scalloped Potatoes, Corn Muffin, Banana	Baked Potato Bar, Salad, Dessert \$4 per person		

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



WILLIAMSTON AREA
SENIOR CENTER

Williamston Area Senior Center
500 Williamston Center Rd.
Williamston, MI 48895

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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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Williamston, MI 48895